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### NAZI "HELL-SHIP" BOARDED

## 300 Seamen Freed After Epic Exploit In Neutral Waters

Special To "The People"

**T**HE NAVY HAS TRIUMPHED AGAIN. UNDER COVER OF DARKNESS, THE DESTROYER COSSACK HAS RESCUED FROM THE NAZI "HELL-SHIP" ALTMARK BETWEEN 300 AND 400 BRITISH MERCHANT SEAMEN WHO FOR WEEKS HAD UNDERGONE PRIVATIONS AND SUFFERING AFTER THEIR SHIPS HAD BEEN SUNK BY THE GERMAN RAIDER ADMIRAL GRAF SPEE.

"A very fine job," commented the Admiralty. It was more than that. It was an epic of which Drake or Nelson would have been proud—a story of courage, of boarding, of hand-to-hand fighting, of British warships daring all to save from cruelty and ill-treatment seamen whose only offence had been to sail the seas.

Today those seamen are in Britain, landed safely at a Scottish port. Their gratitude is only a small expression of the gratitude of the nation that the Admiralty instructed our destroyers to enter neutral waters and rescue the men from their floating prison.

Berlin reaction is one of furious anger. It may well be. For Cossack's daring exploit has robbed the Nazis of what they hoped would be their greatest triumph—the parade of hundreds of Britain's merchant heroes before German crowds.

So has come to an end a hunt which the Navy has pursued night and day ever since it was learned that the infamous Altmark was at sea with her battened-down prisoners.

They had little room to move about. Their food was foul. The air they breathed was stinking.

Now they are free. And the Navy has added another chapter to its history. That chapter is best told in the communiqué issued yesterday by the Admiralty. It reads:

It will be remembered that the Graf Spee sank seven British merchant ships in the South Atlantic before Christmas. The officers were made prisoners on board the pocket battleship and were tolerably treated.

### Spotted by Aircraft

The seamen, on the other hand, were confined in the Altmark, an auxiliary of the German fleet which, according to the reports of the British prisoners liberated from the Graf Spee, was armed with concealed guns.

Between three and four hundred British merchant seamen were held prisoners in this vessel, and upon the evidence of those of them who were transferred to the Graf Spee and later rescued, grievous hardships and severities were inflicted upon them.

Since then the Altmark vanished from the seas, and no trace of her could be found until it appeared on the 15th that she was moving down the Norwegian coast, taking advantage of its peculiar configuration and endeavouring to convey these three or four hundred British merchant seamen captives through Norwegian territorial waters to confinement in Germany.

Accordingly certain of H.M. ships which were conveniently disposed, were set in motion, and certain aircraft reconnaissances were made, as the result of which a vessel bearing the name of the Altmark, and conforming in every respect to her description yesterday (Friday) afternoon took refuge in the Norwegian Fjord of Joessing, after having been sighted by coastal reconnaissance aircraft and intercepted by H.M.S. Intrepid, Commander R. C. Gordon, Royal Navy.

Orders were given by the Admiralty, with the full authority of H.M. Government, to enter neutral waters, search the Altmark, and rescue any prisoners found on board.

### British Offer Refused

Joessing Fjord has a dead end, and two Norwegian gunboats appeared at its mouth. The British Commander, Captain P. L. Vian, R.N., H.M.S. Cossack, was instructed to offer to place a joint British and Norwegian guard upon the ship, and to escort it with British and Norwegian warships to Bergen, where the search could be conducted and the whole matter investigated according to international law.

This offer was not accepted. The captain of the Norwegian gunboat stated that the ship was unarmed, that he knew nothing about any prisoners on board, that she had been examined at Bergen the day before, and had received permission to use Norwegian territorial waters on her passage to Germany.

Upon these assurances the British destroyer force withdrew from territorial waters, but after dark on receipt of the Admiralty orders, the destroyer Cossack with the British commander on board, re-entered the fjord.

The Norwegian gunboats refused co-operation in the search, but remained passive. The Altmark was manoeuvred so as to try to sink the Cossack as she prepared to board. In doing so the Altmark ran aground stern first, and Cossack came alongside her and boarded her.

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### New Unemployed

## "TRAGEDIES OF THE SUCCESSFUL" MEN

**T**HE problem of "the new unemployed"—the professional, technical and business men whose jobs disappeared with the war—is being tackled by the Government.

Their plight, as an official described it yesterday, is the "tragedy of the successful man." They do not even get the dole.

The Ministry have set up a supplementary employment register for them at 15 centres in the country.

At the Midlands centre yesterday it was stated that 400 men and about 40 women are on their register, which has only been in force for four weeks.

Among them are a barrister, solicitor, architect, and surveyors, livestock salesmen, linguists, actresses—one of whom could speak six languages—and many small businessmen.

One of them, before the war, had a salary of £1,250 a year.

Another speaks nine languages and undertakes to master any other language in three months. He will probably be put on Government work.

Government departments are using this supplementary register for filling certain vacancies in the Civil Service. Training centres have also been opened for "the black-coat unemployed" to enable them to transform their peace-time hobbies into new types of employment.

## EARLY CALL-UP OF 24's

**T**HE next registration day will be March 9—three weeks earlier than was originally anticipated.

It will affect men who reached the age of twenty-four during 1939 and those who reached the age of twenty between January 1 and March 9 this year.

Although those previously registered will not all have been called up for service, the need for another registration so soon is an indication of the speed at which recruits can now be absorbed by the Army.

The date has also been brought forward somewhat owing to the incidence of Easter.

## Rescuers Called "Piratical" BERLIN RAVES AT BRITAIN

**V**IOLENT ANGER IS EXPRESSED IN GERMANY AT THE BRITISH RESCUE OF THE MEN FROM THE ALTMARK. BRITAIN IS CALLED "A MARITIME ROBBER," AND THE EVENT IS DESCRIBED AS "SWINISH," "DASTARDLY," "BESTIAL," "PIRATICAL" AND "A REVERSION TO MEDIEVALISM."

Berlin declares that the alleged seizure of the German vessel is "the most clear breach of international law." It is argued that the Altmark is "an unarmed merchant ship plying between Germany and the Scandinavian ports."

The official German News Agency describes the incident as "an unheard-of violation of Norwegian neutrality."

The "Voelkischer Beobachter" states:

"It is a typical demonstration of the fact that Britain is resorting to methods of the maritime robber to retain its reputation as a power on the seas."

The seizure of the Altmark in Norwegian waters, the "shooting of parts of its crew," is described in other German quarters as "one of the most swinish and dastardly actions in history."

Dr. Heinrich Salm, German Minister in Oslo, has presented a written protest to the Norwegian Foreign Office, states the Official German News Agency. The protest describes the action of the British destroyer as "an act of violence."

"It is unique in world history," the protest continues, "and I must insist—without the reservation of further demands by my Government—that the status quo on board the Altmark is at once re-constituted as far as is possible after the losses suffered, that amends are made for the damage caused, and that all available forces are put into action against the perpetrators."

"I must draw your attention to the fact that we regard the situation as being the most serious possible—a situation which may have the gravest consequences."—Reuter, B.U.P. and Associated Press.

## FOODSTUFFS POUR INTO BRITAIN

**I**F you want to know the way the war is going on the home front, look at Britain's trade figures for January. They were issued yesterday, and they tell a fascinating story.

First of all, exports. We need to export all we can to pay for our arms purchases abroad. Well, our exports in January totalled £44,730,987—a rise of more than two millions on December and the best since May of last year.

A quarter of that increase was due to larger exports of coal. Exports of manufactured goods were up by £942,000 and of iron and steel by £727,000.

All those are signs that we are capturing Germany's export markets.

### Finn Commander Is Confident

## "BACKS TO THE WALL" ORDER

Helsinki, Saturday.

**U**NDER the relentless pressure of the Soviet offensive on the Karelian Isthmus, the Finns, still fighting hard, are systematically falling back to fresh positions in the Mannerheim Line.

Tonight's Finnish communiqué speaks of a "withdrawal in stages" without qualifying the sectors.

This follows seventeen days of unceasing attacks by some half a dozen Russian divisions, carried out regardless of cost and supported by tanks, artillery and aircraft.

The heaviest pressure has been directed against the Western flank of the Mannerheim Line opposite Viborg, particularly the Summa sector.

As the new positions to which the Finns are retiring get progressively stronger, the Red Army's task grows increasingly difficult.

In a proclamation to the Finnish troops on the Karelian Isthmus today Field-Marshal Mannerheim, the Finnish Commander-in-Chief, states that the time had come to check the enemy's advance in new positions manned by fresh Finnish troops and artillery.

He expresses confidence that the Soviet forces will "never succeed in breaking through."

Foreign help, he adds, is arriving in Finland in appreciable quantity.

At Kuusmo (Central Finland) an entire unit of Russian ski troops is reported to have been destroyed with the loss of 1,800 men.—Reuter, (SWEDEN ANGRY. See Back Page.)

## CONSEQUENCES DIFFICULT TO FORETELL

—Enemy Radio

**R**ETALIATION FOR THE BRITISH ACTION OVER THE ALTMARK WAS THREATENED BY THE OFFICIAL GERMAN WIRELESS COMMENTATOR LAST NIGHT.

"Consequences may be released the extent of which it is difficult to foretell," he said.

"This unheard of British crime must be expiated. Chastisement will follow."

"We accuse the British Admiralty of base assassination."

"Modern weapons in this war have the task of freeing Europe of such British customs."—Reuter.

## FOODSTUFFS POUR INTO BRITAIN

Biggest decrease in exports was of 2403,000 in wool. That is because we needed the wool for our own war purposes.

Now look at imports. They reached the huge total of £104,961,147—an increase of 18 millions on December and easily the highest for the past ten years.

That increase is a striking proof of the success of our convoy system, ensuring a safe passage for goods from all parts of the world.

One of the biggest rises—of £4,800,000—was in the imports of manufactured oils, fats and resins. These goods are essential to a nation at war. They are the goods of which Germany is most short.

Our food imports jumped by £11,000,000. Grain and flour were up by £3,238,000, dairy produce by £3,320,000 and meat by £2,614,000.

Those are facts and figures that even Haw-Haw can't explain away.



When sailors from H.M.S. Cossack arrived at a Scottish port yesterday, one of them, wearing a cap captured from a German, answered the cheers of the waiting crowd with a Nazi salute.

### (Our Reply To Norway)

## ACTION WAS JUSTIFIED!

**N**ORWAY'S PROTEST REGARDING THE ALTMARK REACHED THE FOREIGN OFFICE IN LONDON LAST NIGHT, AND SOON AFTERWARDS THE BRITISH POINT OF VIEW WAS EXPRESSED OFFICIALLY.

This view, "The People" learns on good authority, is that the fact that 300 to 400 British prisoners have for some months been living in intolerable conditions aboard the Altmark must have been as well known to the Norwegian Government as to the British Government.

It was, therefore, with surprise that the British Government learnt that the Altmark had been allowed to leave Bergen with the prisoners still on board and to proceed southward inside Norwegian territorial waters towards a German port.

Knowing what they did about the ship, it was to be expected that the Norwegian authorities would have thought it necessary to detain her and make more thorough search, if their first inquiry failed to reveal definite proof of the prisoners' presence on board.

That they did not do so created a situation in which it was not possible for H.M. Government to refrain from the immediate action which in the

circumstances they felt themselves fully entitled to take for the liberation of the prisoners.

The past history of the Altmark and the circumstances in which she entered Norwegian waters, and in particular the port of Bergen, were such as, in the view of the Government, to impose on the Norwegian Government the duty of making a thorough inquiry into her status and the object of her visit.

### GROUND FOR COMPLAINT

It is contended that the investigations made were superficial and perfunctory because they failed to reveal the presence of more than 300 British prisoners on board.

H.M. Government, it is added, would have had the gravest ground for complaint against the Norwegian Government if, after such restricted search, the prisoners had found their way to internment camps in Germany.

These considerations have already been placed before the Norwegian Minister and amiable discussions are proceeding with the Norwegian Government.

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# Red-Haired Countess Interned In Jail Bigamy Charge Witness

## SO LIKE HITLER!

A READER of "The People" reminds us of this quotation from "King Henry VI," Part III, Act III, "as," he says, "it seems to me to cover every aspect of Hitler's life":—  
Why, I can smile, and murder  
whites I smile;  
And cry content to that  
which grieves my heart;  
And wet my cheeks with  
artificial tears,  
And frame my face to all  
occasions.  
I'll drown more sailors than  
the mermaid shall;  
I'll slay more gazers than  
the basilisk;  
I'll play the orator as well  
as Nestor;  
Decieve more slyly than  
Ulysses could;  
And, like a Sinon, take  
another Troy;  
I can add colours to the  
cameleon;  
Change shapes with Proteus,  
for advantages;  
And set the murderous  
Machiavel to school.

## HE'D PUT A WALL ROUND ALL TOWNS

MR. F. J. OSBORN, honorary secretary of the Garden Cities and Town Planning Association, said at a conference in London yesterday: "I favour the medieval idea of a walled town, enclosing a large amount of open spaces and surrounded by open country, so that you can walk from your house into the country."  
Mr. H. Strauss, M.P., chairman of the Scapa Society, said: "If you are going to preserve everything loathsome labelled 'beauty spot,' England is gone already."  
The preservation of places of great natural beauty is another thing entirely."

A YOUNG RED-HAIRED AUSTRIAN COUNTESS WHO SAID SHE CAME TO ENGLAND IN 1936 TO WIN FAME AS A FILM ACTRESS, IS NOW INTERNED IN HOLLOWAY JAIL.

She is Countess Edlud Claude von Costanzo, aged twenty-two. Recently, at the Old Bailey, she gave evidence that she had made "a marriage of friendship" with an Englishman, her object being to acquire British nationality.

The Englishman, who was charged with having bigamously married her in 1937, at Marylebone Register Office, was acquitted.

SCOTLAND YARD ACTS  
Following this trial, the Countess was interrogated by Scotland Yard officers. Detention under Defence Regulation 18 B followed.

Under this Regulation the Home Secretary can order anyone to be detained if he is satisfied that this is necessary "to prevent the person acting in any manner prejudicial to the public safety of the defence of the realm."  
Persons detained in this way at Holloway are accommodated in a special wing, where they can wear their own clothes, send out for their food, and are allowed to smoke.

Such detention, it is pointed out by the Home Office, is "for custodial purposes only" and is not punitive.

## BIRTH-RATE "TIE"

Paris, Saturday.  
The latest available fortnightly vital statistics for Paris show that of 866 children born, there was an equal number of boys and girls.

## OCEAN ISLES TO FORECAST WEATHER

Washington, Saturday.

THE United States and Great Britain are co-operating in the establishment of a chain of meteorological broadcasting stations on tiny islands scattered across the Pacific Ocean.

This fact was disclosed when the Independent Offices Appropriation Bill came before the House Appropriations Committee. The Bill included a provision of about £132,000 for the erection of such a station at San Francisco and £25,000 for similar stations at Howland and Jarvis Islands.

The stations are intended as navigation aids for mail and passenger aeroplane services, including the proposed new service from San Francisco to New Zealand by way of Honolulu. Construction of the stations at Howland and Jarvis is now under way.

Mr. Charles I. Stanton, Director of the Civil Aeronautics Authority, told the committee that "the British Government and its territorial governments are working on the stations in New Zealand and on the islands that belong to England in the South Pacific area."—Reuter.

## MYRNA LOY TURNS SALESGIRL



BUT only in a good cause—that of a Franco-British War Relief Benefit, held in Hollywood, when Myrna, with many other stars, lent their charms to raise funds. Here she is selling cigarettes to William Powell (left), his new bride, Diana Lewis, and Richard Barthelmess.

## Get In And Win!

# ANOTHER HUGE £1,500 MUST-BE-WON CROSSWORD OFFER

"NOW'S THE TIME, AND NOW'S THE HOUR," WROTE SCOTLAND'S BOBBIE BURNS—AND HOW TRUE ARE THOSE WORDS WHEN APPLIED TO "THE PEOPLE'S" £1,500 MUST-BE-WON CROSSWORD OFFER!

For now's the time to seize the opportunity to win yourself a handsome cheque, by sitting down right away and entering for this famous contest.

The magnificent sum of £1,500 is allotted as follows:—£1,250 cash first prize; £200 to be divided between the first runners-up, and second runners-up to share goods to the value of £50.

For vast numbers of us, the mere thought of £1,250 represents wealth only to be dreamed of; the difference between happiness and constant worry.

Yet by the use of a little skill and knowledge, you might quite easily qualify for such a prize.

Scattered throughout these islands today are scores of men and women who in the past have proved beyond a doubt the fairness and the fascination of a money-spinning contest that is unique in Sunday Journalism.

Many of them have won big prizes outright; others have had substantial "slices." All united in recommending "The People" Crosswords as the best black-out or daylight hobby that ever was invented.

So "now's the time." Be guided by the experience of others who at their first attempt found themselves "in the money." Remember that Opportunity may be knocking at your door at this very moment.

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## CROSSWORD No. 187

In connection with Crossword No. 187, the Adjudication Committee decided that the most meritorious answers on one square (see below) were those submitted by the following nine competitors: Mr. C. Barrow, 4, Union-lane, Penrith, Cumbria; Mr. J. G. G. La Belle Sauvage, Ludgate Circus, E.C.4; a book of these useful vouchers will be forwarded to you—eight 6d. vouchers, price 4s.; ten 1s. vouchers or five 2s. ones, price 10s.

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No scrutiny can be undertaken in connection with the runners-up prizes. 1st Runners-up—12 competitors, from whom we received squares inferior in merit by reason of only one less apt and accurate answer compared with the best squares received, will be notified and given a choice of one of the 13 articles.

2nd Runners-up—12 competitors, from whom we received squares inferior in merit by reason of only two less apt and accurate answers compared with the best squares received, will be notified; each lady will receive a combined egg and condiment set, and each gentleman a "Repeata" cigarette box.

## Meet Messrs. Flagg And Quirt

# WISE-CRACKING PAIR ARE HERE WITH THE CANADIANS

EXCLUSIVE TO "THE PEOPLE"

REMEMBER SERGEANT FLAGG AND SERGEANT QUIRT. THOSE TOUGH, WISE-CRACKING SOLDIERS OF "WHAT PRICE GLORY" FAME?

They have come to life again in the battledress of the Canadian Expeditionary Force—a couple of hard-bitten, devil-may-care veterans of eighteen years' scrapping up and down the world.

Sergeant-Major William Edward Coss and Sergeant-Major James Southwick here in England en route for a crack at the Seigfried Line have soldiered side by side in China, South America, Nicaragua and the Philippines.

War has been their profession—chosen for sheer love of thrills and adventure—and by a series of amazing happenings they have run across each other all over the globe in the uniforms of every rank in four armies.

I met them in London last week—Coss, tall, dark, lean from the privations of war in Spain, war in China, war in the jungles of South America, war in Nicaragua; Southwick, shorter, broader, eight years older, hardened by ten years in the United States Marines, toughened by river war in China and fighting in the Grand Chaco.

And in racy, wisecracking dialogue that might have been lifted straight from a Flagg and Quirt film, they told me how coincidence had once again led them to a meeting as they answered the Empire's call to arms.

LAST August Coss was banana plantations in British Honduras. He had given up his wild ways. The soldier of fortune had decided to settle down. But he was too old a campaigner to resist the call when it came.

## "YIPPEE, GENERAL"

He flew to Vancouver and enlisted in the Canadian Seaforth Highlanders.

And on September 4 he was walking down the main street feeling slightly embarrassed with a kilt swinging about his knees for the first time in his life. Suddenly he stopped dead. A thick-set man in smart civilian clothes faced him.

"Colonel Coss!"

"Major General Southwick!"

"Yippee!" chorused the kilted soldier and the prosperous-looking civilian, to the astonishment of passers-by.

Flagg and Quirt were together again!

"I first saw Coss in a rooky's uniform of the United States Army eighteen years ago," Southwick told me. "I taught him to slope arms, and boy, was he clumsy! He still is, too..."

"But I can fire one, Southwick," interrupted Coss.

"Maybe, Coss, but you're still clumsy."

"I bawled him out, every day," he went on, turning to me. "Then I couldn't stand it any longer and I joined the Marines."

"We got sent to the Philippines and Southwick."

then to China, where the Marines were taking care of the traffic up the river. "When I went ashore the first person I ran into was Coss—Sergeant Coss now and still clumsy..."

THE scene shifts from China to the sweltering main square of Asuncion, capital of Paraguay. The city is in turmoil. Out in the evil jungle, the "Green Hell" of the Chaco, the Paraguayan army is hacking its way through against the army of Bolivia.

Paraguay is recruiting Germans, French, English and Americans, soldiers of fortune from all parts of the world.

## JUNGLE FIGHTING

Southwick, following the beckoning finger of adventure, walked straight into ex-rooky, ex-sergeant Coss, now a major in the Paraguayan army.

"I remember the sergeant who bawled me out in the U.S. Army," said Coss to me. "It was my turn now. 'So I couldn't slope arms quick enough for you?' I says, 'Right. I'll see if you're quick enough to be my adjutant...'"

For seventeen months the Flagg and Quirt partners fought in the steaming jungle. They pulled up their battle-dress trousers to show me scars.

"German gas used by the Bolivians." "That was a nightmare campaign. Once he took 395 men into the jungle. He came out with 97."

"It was a bitter war," Coss said. "Conditions were terrible. The rations were uneatable. We were mighty glad once when we got a crate of bully beef. When we had prised it open we found it dated 1918. It had originally been intended for British troops in France."

"That was real war in South America," said Southwick. "This time we're living on velvet—so far!"

He grinned at Coss.

"My colonel in the Chaco war," he said, "was a great credit to his early training. He was fortunate in having as his adjutant the man who taught him to be a soldier."

And Flagg and Quirt were at it hammer and tongs again.

Coss left Paraguay with a Colonel's rank, Southwick as a Major-General.

Coss fought in the Spanish civil war—he has a bayonet wound as a souvenir—but for once Southwick was not among those present.

"He couldn't take it or something," says Coss.

"I was waiting for a real war," roars Southwick.

# 'FLU OVER BRITAIN! 'ASPRO' RESPONDS TO NATION-WIDE CALL

From all quarters there is news of 'flu, feverish colds, stubborn coughs, sore throats, etc.—staffs are depleted—production threatened—key men are affected. Then the brighter side—'ASPRO' IS AVAILABLE EVERYWHERE—IT RESPONDS TO THE CALL and hundreds of thousands get relief and protection. At times like these the extent of 'ASPRO' service to the nation is proved up to the hilt. Time after time "ASPRO" saves the day," saves people lying up, SMASHES COLDS AND 'FLU ATTACKS OVERNIGHT. Used as a gargle, 'ASPRO' affords protection against infection. These are no mere claims. They are concrete, scientific facts demonstrated by the experience of millions of users. The vast sales and world-wide reputation of 'ASPRO' as the leading remedy for 'flu, colds and feverish complaints have been built upon PUBLIC RECOGNITION OF ITS MERITS.

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INFLUENZA RIFE  
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WORKERS  
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Affected

THE incidence of influenza among the tram and bus workers in the north is as high as it has ever been in the past 30 years, said an official of the Transport Union.

INFLUENZA HITS  
YORK  
Epidemic Worst In  
20 Years  
Big Firms Hit; Many  
Employees Off Work

Influenza and other disease is rife in York at the present time, and many firms are off work.

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For some time past I have been troubled with severe colds in the head but after taking a friend's advice to try 'ASPRO' all headaches and the cold went like magic. Two 'ASPRO' tablets are worth more than a dozen ordinary aspirins.—I am, Yours faithfully,  
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Yours truly, MRS. L.

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## TETRAZZINI PARALYSED FOR LIFE

Milan, Saturday.

IT is feared that Madame Luisa Tetrazzini, the famous soprano, is permanently paralysed in the right leg and arm.

Her doctor made this statement tonight.

Tetrazzini, who is sixty-four, has been suffering from cerebral haemorrhage. She is now out of danger, but will need a lengthy period of rest.

"Her general condition is satisfactory," her doctor added, "although she cannot talk at present." In a month's time she will go for a long convalescence.—B.U.P.

## "THE PEOPLE'S" CROSSWORD No. 187

The most meritorious answers used by competitors decided according to aptness and accuracy by the Adjudication Committee were those shown in the square below.

Two squares each contain two letters to indicate that at these points competitors who used the words GLOW or BLOW and FAG or BAG were regarded as having submitted answers of equal merit.

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**PALMOLIVE**



# ALTMARK SKIPPER WAS SEA TYRANT

## HIS VICTIMS WERE PENNED BELOW DECKS

H. M.S. COSSACK, RESCUER OF MORE THAN 300 BRITISH SEAMEN FROM THE NAZI FLOATING "BLACK HOLE," THE ALTMARK, SAILED PROUDLY HOME TO BRITAIN LAST NIGHT TO THE RINGING CHEERS OF GREAT CROWDS ON THE SHORE.

Snatched from captivity when almost at the very doors of Germany, the rescued men were at a Scottish port within a few hours, and the British Navy, its vow to get the "hell ship" fulfilled, had new honours to its name.

The Cossack was sighted off Leith at 3.15 p.m. She reached dock at 3.40. And as the rescued were rushed away in ambulances and buses which had been standing by for two hours, the swelling cheer of the people was Scotland's—and Britain's proud tribute to the Cossack for a valiant act of daring in the name of chivalry and just vengeance.

No finer music than those cheers could ever have reached the captives ears. They had lived for more than two months in the fond holds of the Altmark to which they had been transferred from the Graf Spee as one by one their ships were sunk.

Nearly 25 ambulances together with about 20 buses converted into ambulances had awaited them. More than 100 A.R.P. first aid workers drawn from all parts of Edinburgh and a large number of nurses in uniform were also on duty.

### NAVAL ESCORT

The large force of police included mechanised units. An escort of naval men was drawn up at the quayside, and in addition to high naval and Army officers there were among those present to welcome the men Mr. John Colville, Secretary of State for Scotland, Mr. Tom Johnston, M.P. (Chief Regional Commissioner for Scotland), and Chief Constable W. B. R. Morren.

The first men to leave the Cossack were a batch of West Indians carrying their belongings. They were given a rousing cheer from the big crowd of dockers and dock workers.

William Curtis, of Green-lane, South Shields, a survivor of the Doric Star, which was sunk by the Graf Spee in the South Atlantic about eleven weeks ago, said:

"We were confined for about a fortnight without being on deck. They would not let us see anything. There was very little food. We ate black bread and drank tea. The tea was taken from the Huntsman, another of the Graf Spee's victims. Curtis was in the Graf Spee when they sank the Tairoa. "We did not do any work," he added.

"For a long time we got no cold water. We had just to put up with tea. Sometimes we got washing water. The Germans cannot get any praise from me. They behaved very badly. The skipper was a tyrant."

After his trying experience of being confined to a section of the ship under hatches he could scarcely believe it was true when he was ordered to go on deck. Then he realised that British sailors had taken command.

"I thought the ship was being followed," said Curtis, "and I remarked to my mate that something must be going on because the ship was stopped for about four hours. We were all battered down and then the ship shivered and shook. I thought she was ashore. A boarding party then came aboard."

### BOMBS FOUND

"All the Germans were bad. They showed no sympathy or kindly feelings," said Curtis. "The captain of the Altmark openly declared that he had no feelings for the British whatever and the crew followed his example. "They thought the captain had intended to blow the Altmark up as time bombs had apparently been found on her," said Curtis.

Frederick Thomas, of Othello-st., Liverpool, and Walter Feland, of Birkenhead, survivors from another sunk ship, the Trevanion, said the Graf Spee fired on them and they had only ten minutes to clear the ship.

A boarding party put time bombs on their vessel and blew off the sides. When transferred to the Altmark they were put in a compartment with iron hatches battened down over 45 men.

Thomas said it was a filthy place with no fresh air. Conditions were terrible and the Germans made them as miserable as they possibly could with their cruel, heartless treatment. "The only thing we got aboard was a ravenous appetite."

tried to stage a mutiny and make a dash for it. "We thought that if the 300 of us could have got above decks we could easily have got control of the ship. The Germans soon got wind of it, however, and that finished our chances of a break-away. We were on nothing but bread and water for the last two days we were on board."

Aubrey Jenkins, of the Doric Star, told of an unsuccessful effort by the captives to send out an S.O.S. He said a tin was secured, and after it had been made airtight with a message inside, a flag was attached. A German carpenter assisted by providing solder.

The tin and the small flag were dropped overboard with the slop pails, but the move was observed. Britons involved in the effort to send the message were imprisoned in the hold for three days and the German for three weeks.

Another seaman described how the second mate of the Ashlea led 326 prisoners in an attempt to attract the attention of Norwegian officials from torpedo boats who had come aboard the Altmark to inspect it.

Describing how they were rescued, one seaman of the Ashlea said: "It was the finest bit of work I have ever seen. It was all over in about half an hour, and ten minutes after the boarding party arrived we were on board the Cossack."

"The Cossack came right in, and I don't know what happened to the German ship in the end. S. Williams, of Liverpool, from the Newton Beach, sunk on October 7, was ten days on board the Graf Spee before being put on board their rison ship. He described how the Cossack boarded the vessel.

"We were riding in between the rocks in pitch blackness and the ice on top of the water was cracking as we moved. The British destroyer came darting in with the intention of boarding the Altmark. The German skipper swung his wheel over and tried to ram the Cossack."

"Suddenly one of the officers of the boarding party leaped eight feet on to the lower deck of the Altmark. BOOBY TRAP

The officer proceeded to the captain's cabin, and as he opened the door a booby trap went off. It was a revolver fixed to fire when the door opened, and it wounded him in the arm.

Some of the German guards took fright and along with a few German sailors jumped overboard. One of them was drowned, but several of the others escaped over the ice to the shore."

"After they went off there was a bit of a scrap with the boarding party, and four of the Germans were killed; but it was all over in half an hour. Then the Cossack came in and the Altmark grounded right on to the rocks and ice of the fjord, and it might be lying there yet for all I know."

Southard said he did not know what had happened to the German crew, but before the British prisoners were taken off a time bomb had been fixed in their quarters, and that if the rescue ship had been half an hour later it might have been too late.

The hatches under which the men were battened down had been strengthened by cables and chains. The prisoners had bored a hole through the hatchway so that they could see what was going on on deck.

The second mate of the Ashlea, when the Norwegians came aboard, got an iron bar and said: "Come on boys. This is where we'll get out." He tried to break the hatches open, as well as a door forward.

"We were all blowing whistles and shouting, and the second mate pushed a home-made Union Jack through the hole in the hatch. The German guard caught it and then he let go and they all fell in a heap."

"Then we all battered at the hatches with whatever we could lay our hands on, but the Germans turned two hoses on us. They had steam winches going full belt to drown the noise we made, and in face of all that we were defeated."

ALL CHEERED

Several of the prisoners described the food they got on board, but indicated that there was little to be had for anybody. Their menu for the whole time they were aboard was:—

BREAKFAST, 7 a.m.: Three thin rounds of black bread and a cup of tea without sugar or milk.

DINNER, 2.30 p.m.: A pint of tinned soup or tinned potatoes and meat.

TEA, 5.30 p.m.: Three thin rounds of black bread and another cup of sugarless, milkless tea.

That was all the food they got each day.

John Quigley, of Halley-rd., Manor Park, London, a tall, bearded seaman from the Tairoa, said the first they knew of their rescue was when they heard a voice: "Any Englishmen here?"

"They shouted 'Yes,' and immediately came the cheering words, 'Well, the Navy is here.'"

Quigley said, "We all cheered then as loudly as we could."

He revealed that the Germans were apparently hoping to send the prisoners to the bottom of the sea.

"The Germans," he said, "had their boats over the side, but they left time-bombs for us."

"We just went mad when we saw the English were aboard," was how Stanley Pemberton, of Leatherhead, Surrey, described his impressions of the rescue.



CAPTAIN P. L. VIAN, Commander of the Cossack.

## Lost Dog, Home Again, Cures His Mistress

SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"

THANKS TO THE KINDNESS OF A "PEOPLE" READER, A SICK WOMAN IS NOW ON THE ROAD TO RECOVERY FROM A SERIOUS ILLNESS.

She is the Hon. Mrs. Magdalen Fitzpatrick, of Fountain Court, Buckingham Palace-rd., S.W.1, for the return of whose lost dog, Bob, this newspaper appealed last Sunday.

Bob, a cross between a Bedlington and an Irish Terrier, was found at Reigate, twenty miles from home, two days before he would have been destroyed as a stray.

His return so cheered and fortified his mistress that doctors reported an immediate improvement in her health. Following publication of "The People" report, which revealed how Mrs. Fitzpatrick, recently widowed on her honeymoon, lay seriously ill calling for Bob, wires, telephone messages, and letters from readers flowed into her flat.

Altogether, sixty readers, living as far apart as Brighton and Oxford, said they thought they had seen Bob. But one letter, from Mrs. E. M. Westbrook, of Allingham-rd., South Park, Reigate, gave the invalid new hope.

"I'm sure your pet is in the hands of Reigate police," it said. "It answers the description given in 'The People,' even to trembling violently. It followed me through Reigate Park as I was going to work and, as I thought it might get run over, I took it to the police station."

"BOB" KNEW THE VOICE

From her sick bed Mrs. Fitzpatrick telephoned to Reigate police and was then put through to the kennels reserved for strays, where she thought she identified her dog.

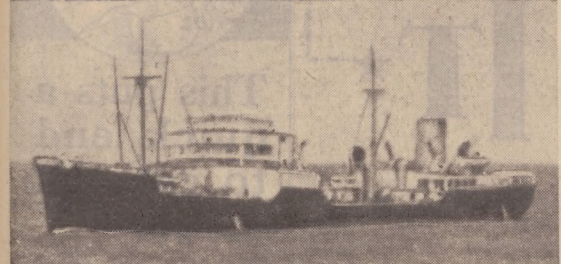
The stray was then brought to the telephone and his mistress called out, "Bob, Bob, can you hear me, Bob?" Bob barked. He knew that voice.

Soon afterwards, the doctor called and, as it was a mild day, told Mrs. Fitzpatrick that the best medicine in the world would be for her to fetch her pet. Well wrapped up, she did so.

## Norwegian Ships Mined, Another Missing

TWO more Norwegian ships have been mined in the North Sea. The steamer Kvernæs (1,819 tons) sank while on a voyage from Antwerp to Oslo. The motor-ship Gallia, on a voyage from Ymuden to Oslo, has been badly damaged by a mine. Both crews are safe.

The Norwegian-American line steamer Segovia (1,387 tons) is missing and is believed to have been lost while homeward bound from the Mediterranean with a crew of twenty-two and one passenger.



THE ALTMARK

## Altmark Captain's Story

## "Never Believed It To Be Possible!"

A FULL REPORT BY THE CAPTAIN OF THE ALTMARK ON THE RESCUE OF THE BRITISH PRISONERS FROM HIS VESSEL WAS ISSUED IN BERLIN TONIGHT.

"The Altmark," the report says, "was yesterday sailing along the Norwegian coast between Stavanger and Christian-sund about half a sea mile away from the shore."

"During the day three British planes of the Blenheim type repeatedly flew over us, circling over the ship and the Norwegian coast. The planes were obviously in radio communication with British Naval forces."

"After a short time a British cruiser of the Aurora class appeared, with five destroyers. They approached nearer and nearer to the Altmark."

"Two Norwegian torpedo-boats accompanying the Altmark repeatedly ordered the British ships to leave."

"I tried to get near the entrance to the Joesingford to steer between the mainland and the islands, and then proceed on my way."

"I never believed it possible that the British would be guilty of an obvious breach of neutrality in Norwegian territorial waters."

"But right at the entrance to the fjord one destroyer pushed up close to the Altmark, and a boarding party standing ready on her decks could clearly be seen."

"Thereupon I turned sharply and entered the fjord."

"A British torpedo-boat attempted to follow me, but both the Norwegian torpedo-boats lay across the entrance to the fjord, between my ship and the British, and prevented them from entering."

"When it grew dark, we noticed a ship entering the fjord between the Norwegians, and at first took it for a Norwegian vessel."

"We called repeatedly to it. As answer

we received the signal—"If you do not heave-to, we fire!"

"Then it was clear to us that a British destroyer had broken through the barrier of the Norwegian torpedo-boats. The British came alongside quickly."

"British sailors boarded the Altmark, occupied the bridge by force, took possession of the ship and opened fire on the unarmed, defenceless German crew."

"As soon as I realised that the approaching ship was British I called the crew on deck and told them to get the boats ready as there were no weapons for their defence on board."

"When the British opened fire some of my men attempted to get across the ice to the land or to swim ashore."

"When the British sailors saw the Germans on the ice and in the water they opened fire on these helpless men."

"I could not ascertain the exact number of dead and wounded."

"All the dead and wounded on board the Altmark had abdominal wounds as the British fired at close quarters at the defenceless crew."

"The stern of the ship grounded,"—Reuter.

"BRITONS SHOT OWN MAN," SAY NAZIS

Berlin, Saturday. Commenting on the statement that the British suffered one casualty in the boarding of the Altmark, the German Official News Agency asserts: "According to the report of the captain, there were no weapons of any kind on board the ship."

"The British loss of one man is thus only explainable by the supposition that the Englishmen, in shooting down the German seamen, hit one of their own men."—B.U.P.



## THE GHOST TRAIN GOES THROUGH

"THERE goes the Night Mail. Old Tom's fair belting her along tonight—must be making up time. Can't get used to seeing her go by with never a light showing—unless there's a soldier in the corridor puffing a fag. Lot of things I can't get used to in this war—what with the old woman evacuated—could do with one of the old woman's steak and kidney pies—haven't had a decent meal since she left. Playing Old Harry with my inside. And all these new regulations and working in this blackout, well—I dunno. I reckon it's time I went back on Kruschen."

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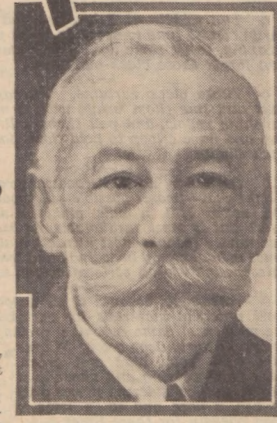
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# GERMAN TACTICS OF DESPAIR THAT SENT THE U-BOATS TO THEIR DOOM

## SINK AT SIGHT!



ADMIRAL J. L. MARX

had reason to thank this old gentleman for their lives. Their ship had been torpedoed in the Atlantic and disappeared; for two hours they were rowing about anxiously in boisterous weather across a heavy sea.

Then they caught sight of what seemed to be a tramp steamer not much over 1,000 tons, so they hoisted sail, ran down to her, were picked up, and found her to be Aubretia.

The latter then searched the ocean and within two hours rescued some more survivors on rafts, followed presently by three other boatloads.

Never were a shipwrecked crew more pleased with their unexpected luck.

## USUAL TACTICS

It was on January 12, 1917, that Aubretia happened to be steaming in the Channel Islands area. Time 10.30 a.m. Exact position eight miles N.W. of the Casquet. Ambling along like any other cargo steamer, Q-13, of 1,250 tons, looked quite ordinary, but was well armed with one 4-inch and two 12-pounder guns, plus a small 3-pounder—a match for any U-boat.

As it from nowhere a submarine appeared, and without hesitation at 10.30 fired a shell which passed over the ship, and another missile came whizzing immediately after.

Then began the usual tactics on both sides.

The admiral stopped engines and was ordered by the enemy to send a boat alongside. This instruction seemingly was being obeyed, though to gain time and tempt the submarine nearer, the well-rehearsed British crew were not hurrying themselves.

The delay greatly annoyed the German, who now fired another shell to hasten matters. That was at 11 a.m. Ten minutes later the boat got away, pulled to leeward over a heavy sea, while the submarine from her windward position rapidly approached on the surface towards Aubretia's port beam.

The admiral waited till "Fritz" got within 300 yards at 11.23, decided this to be the ripe moment, pressed the buzzer, swung into action, and the fight began.

Remarkably short and sharp it was. A 12-pounder shell hit the U-boat's conning tower with an immense explosion, blowing it clean out of existence, scattering the four men who had been standing there.

This unusually shattering burst was caused not wholly by impact of missile against steel but by reason of the enemy's over-confidence.

Anxious to make a quick job of destroying the little steamer without wasting a costly torpedo on her, the German captain had intended to proceed as follows.

The steamer's boat would take across a demolition party with a bag of bombs to be placed aboard the ship, and up she would go before descending as splintered trees. Then the Germans would be rowed back aboard, and the steamer's crew cast adrift in the rough sea. But it didn't work out like that.

The shell detonated those bombs which had been brought up from below, and now a second shot hit the hull just forward of where the conning tower used to be, while a 3-pounder smote her in the same locality.

The German waited for no more—submerged quickly. Up welled oil and bubbles which covered the sea. Aubretia dropped a couple of depth-charges, but never sighted this enemy again.

## CHARMED LIFE

On the facts presented you might have felt convinced the enemy had been destroyed. Such, however, was not the case, and at a later date the German official account proved that the enemy got home.

Yet you can imagine the lesson for life which every member of that submarine's crew learned. If ever they regained their self-reliance, always would they be jittery, always timid in the presence of a steamer, and certainly not aggressive.

Even when she reached her Irish station a Q-ship just missed ramming her, but let go a couple of depth-charges which so damaged the foredeck that U-54 started to leak.

Von Bothmer wisely came home not by the Dover Straits, but round the north of Scotland in spite of the wintry weather, and again there would be told

in Heligoland alarming tales not likely to encourage new crews about to set forth.

Meanwhile, on February 1 that year Germany began her unrestricted submarine campaign, and the orders she issued to U-boat commanders show that having lost about fifty of these craft she still had not won the war.

"This form of warfare is to force England to make peace and thereby to decide the whole war. Energetic action is required, but above all rapidity of action."

Our object is to cut England off from traffic by sea, and not to achieve occasional results at far-distant points. As far as possible, therefore, stations must be taken up near the English coast where routes converge."

All U-boats as a rule were to proceed via the English Channel, both to shorten the cruise and the time spent in dockyard, for "the heavy strain on the boats in the north of the North Sea and Atlantic" always necessitated considerable repairs.

Yet, thanks to our anti-submarine measures, the English Channel passage was enough to scare the stoutest heart.

On this self-same February the first, UC-17 was working her way through the Dover net barrage close by the south-west of the Goodwins, between Buys

By Lieut.-Commander  
**E. KEBLE CHATTERTON**  
(The Well-known Naval Historian)

No. 1 and 2, when (like von Bothmer) she got badly entangled.

By sheer weight and force she eventually burst a way through, but about 54 yards of wire netting still clung to her bows and life was an agony till she freed herself.

The truth was that this Dover bottleneck, despite Germany's orders from headquarters, became most unhealthy for strange visitors, and a few weeks later we had the clearest demonstration.

However contrary to logic it may appear some craft—as the reader has just noticed—were extraordinarily lucky. "Jonah" true, certain other U-boats were fated with ill-fortune; but add to the latter a young skipper's excessive confidence, plus lack of skill, plus pessimistic personnel, and trouble would be waiting only round the corner.

## TEMPTING FATE

UC-26 joined the Flanders flotilla in November, 1916, under the command of Ober-Leutnant Graf von Schmettow. Perhaps this young aristocrat was the "Jonah" true, but she was always developing defects.

One day, after finishing a reef and while in the basin at Ostend, a fire broke out aboard a steamer and UC-26 received such damage that she needed further attention.

On April 30, 1917, she left Ostend, passed Dover, received unpleasant notice from aircraft, but managed to lay mines off Cherbourg and other northern French ports. Her second-in-command was Lieutenant Heinrich Petersen, who came from Germany's Mercantile Marine.

What he thought of things aboard this vessel, and how he loathed the life, are plain enough from the following extracts in his diary:

"2nd May, 12.4 a.m. Steered for Havre and laid mines just outside the buoys. I slept during that, but it was a painful process. We nearly got caught in a net."

"4th May... 1 to 1.35 a.m. Dived to attack two steamers, each conveyed by a destroyer, but, of course, we never got in a shot."

"6th May... 8 to 12. My opposite number (the second watchkeeping officer) is fed up."

"10th May... 2 p.m. Came to surface and again headed for Barfleur. It is a miserable existence. At 9 p.m. sighted a convoy which, of course, we do not bag. Vessels turn away."

Those were the last words he wrote. Within four hours he was dead. Why? Von Schmettow had altered course and was heading up Channel, when H.M.S. Milne was seen on patrol. The young German continued on the surface, insisting that the destroyer had not observed him.

Then, too late and all of a hurry, he dived.

But Milne had seen the carelessly navigated foe, increased speed, drove her bows at the submerging object, cutting through the hull like a jack-knife carving cheese.

Down sank UC-26 with her 26 people, among them two more destroyers—Miranda and Meteor—raining their

depth-charges. Up burst a couple of Germans as the only survivors.

And that was all.

But as the war progressed it was mine warfare which in one way or another became a terror to Germany's submarines. The public has scarcely appreciated how formidable a reply we made to the enemy's minelaying cruises. Sometimes, also, Teutonic inefficiency assisted our strategy.

## RETRIBUTION

For example, two days after UC-26 ended her chequered life, UC-76, which had only just been built, was in Heligoland taking aboard her cargo of eighteen black "eggs" destined for British waters when... an awful bang shook the harbour.

One of these round objects exploded, set the others off likewise, sank the submarine, and with her perished Ober-Leutnant Barten.

Four days later—though Barten's boat was afterwards salvaged—a tragic sequence of happenings impressed the German Navy most alarmingly.

Aware that our destroyers had been fairly active in and around Heligoland Bight, the enemy failed to appreciate how thoroughly these daring vessels had plasted the approaches with hidden dangers.

In fact, H.M. Destroyers Abdiel, Blanche and Royalist laid a minefield fifteen miles south of Horn's Reef light buoy and got away without being seen.

For a month it remained neither discovered nor suspected, but on May 14 Kapitän-Leutnant von Firk was coming out to sea in U-59 escorted by the mine-sweeper Fulda and other vessels.

Personal reasons have always embittered me towards Firk, because about six o'clock on the evening of October 23, 1916, he sent my friend, Lieut.-Commander John White, R.N., together with most of a fine British crew to their deaths whilst only a dozen men were miserably picked up in the Atlantic eighteen hours later after a gale of exceptional severity had set in.

H.M.S. Genista went to her grave protecting the S.S. Alexandrian from a similar disaster.

The steamer, with a valuable cargo of machinery, escaped, but two of U-59's torpedoes caused seventy-three of Genista's people, including all officers, to be robbed of life.

Von Firk was a callous fellow, yet seven months later his punishment came about with perfect vengeance. May 14 was foggy, and the cavalier failed to pick up their marks. Into our minefield blundered U-59, and she carried by Firk to his doom as quickly as he had wiped out Genista.

Nor was that all.

The Fulda also fouled the mines and sank. Likewise vanished another of the escort.

Two days later the Germans sent their sweeper M-14 to locate the wreck of U-59 and, during the search, M-14 struck another mine, so down she went. Torpedo Boat No. 78 rushed to her aid. She hit yet another mine, blew up, and disappeared.

## TRAIL OF OIL

That self-same night U-86 was outward bound from the Enns, and had to be escorted through what the Germans imagined to be a safe channel, but again one of the accompanying steamers knocked against a mine and perished, so that the submarine and rest of the convoy must needs turn away and anchor in Borkum Roads.

As to the barrage in which U-59 succumbed, this still harassed the Germans during the following year.

One need waste no sympathy for the submarine commanders, whose unscrupulous behaviour has been rivalled only by their successors in the present war, yet where the most experienced U-boat captains in the last war learned to proceed with caution, newly promoted officers dashed recklessly into the most foolish situations till finally and too late they sacrificed their own lives and those of their crew.

Thus it was with Ober-Leutnant J. Ries, in charge of UC-77, which left Germany late in May, 1917, to shell Aberdeen. Our destroyers foiled her, made her dive, and she laid her mines off the Forth.

At midnight of June 3-4, when five miles east of Girdleness, Ries sighted the Grimsby trawler Virgilia, which was not armed but on her way to the Humber with a full catch of fish from the Farnes.

Ries behaved abominably, sank the ship by bombs, took Skipper Alfred Rawlings prisoner, left the crew to fend

for themselves in their small boat—after the German had thrown overboard both mast and sail.

Fortunately these fishermen were picked up by an M.L. a few hours later. Next night UC-77 was off Hartlepool, when she attacked another vessel with 22-pounder shells.

This time, however, things happened differently: the stranger turned out to be a patrol vessel with good guns and better gunners than the submarine owned. The first British shots damaged the U-boat, Ries just escaping death when a shell passed over his head. Several of the crew, injured, rushed aft, their hands and faces covered with blood.

Ries then precipitately dived, but the deluge of depth-charges began, the first striking the submarine aft, giving her such a violent shake-up that all hands thought it was the end.

A second explosive burst one of the oil-tanks, so that 15 tons of fuel were lost, and then a third just missed her ahead. Ries, not content with these narrow escapes, a few minutes later got foul of nets, though he managed to slide out of a tight corner by using his engines ahead and astern.

He sank five more ships, cruised along the coast disguised with a lug-sail hoisted at the conning-tower so that the U-boat resembled in the distance a motor fishing craft, and finally got back to Heligoland on June 10.

A most fortunate, if undeserving, fellow.

Destiny awaited him. A year later he had not yet learned to be cautious, and on the evening of July 10, 1918, he was trying to sneak through the Dover Straits, where our defences against submarines were now so thorough, and so many U-boats had foundered, that Ries should have been critical of his procedure.

Actually he neglected to note that UC-77 was leaving astern a track of oil and bubbles.

But the drifter Kessingland observed these, followed up the track, unloaded a lot of depth-charges, so did the Golden Gaid. Heavy explosions despatched submarine, Ries and his raw crew to regions whence there is no return.

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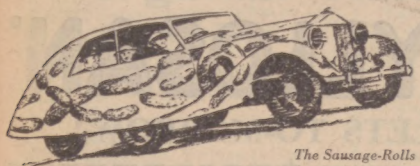
—From Our Special Correspondent



Baron de Beef Takes the Cheers

AS President of the Mustard Club, the Baron de Beef is naturally used to meetings at which he takes the chair. At to-day's meetings he has been taking the cheers. For he has been meeting the men of the B.E.F., all of whom, with every other member of the Fighting Forces, were recently elected Honorary Members of the Mustard Club. And as Miss Di Gester, the charming Secretary of the Club, who is accompanying the President, very aptly described it: "It has been a most 'cheering' experience."

The visitors had breakfast at Headquarters, where there was a pleasant surprise for them. A special dish of eggs and bacon and a magnificent pot of Colman's Mustard was placed on the table by the orderly, who announced: "Breakfast, sir; with the General's compliments!" "Thank you very much," replied the Baron.



The Sausage-Rolls

"Please tell the General how much we appreciate the hospitality of G.H.Cruet!"

After breakfast the visitors were conveyed in a luxurious Sausage-Roll to the front line, where they separated. Miss Di Gester was taken to inspect some Field Kitchens, or, as she put it, "to make a Cook's Tour-de-Forces," while the Baron was shown the secrets of a pill-box. "Never seen a pill-box before," said the Baron as he entered. "You don't need pills when you take Mustard to keep your digestion healthy. But if the Germans ever get as far as this, you'll be able to give them something for their pains!" The

Baron showed great interest in all that was shown to him, and before leaving consented to autograph the barrel of a new howitzer which he suggested should, in future, be known as the Barrel de Beef.

Miss Di Gester, meanwhile, was surprising and delighting the staff of the Field Kitchens she visited with her expert knowledge and helpful suggestions. She was enthusiastically cheered as she served the troops with a new dish that she herself had devised, to which she gave the name of "Sausage-and-Mash-inot."

Later on, both parties met for lunch in another part of the line where they were warmly greeted by an old friend—Lord Bacon, now serving with the Ham-shire Regiment. In order not to delay their programme the Baron had suggested a simple sandwich lunch which the party consumed with haste but with evident relish—and of course with Colman's Mustard. As the Baron explained, "If you want to mechanise Ham Sandwich, don't forget that in addition to Bread-butter, Meat needs Mustard."

Baron de Beef, to the engine room. Then one morning as Bob and Betty were looking through the submarine's eye, Captain Mack gave a shout. "Look! There's a mine in our path."

Seizing the telephone he roared: "Hard Aport!" to the engine room. The Silver Fish shuddered and swerved. Captain Mack took control of the Silver Fish. And as the mine disappeared in their wake it exploded rocking the Silver Fish.

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## Colour Cures For BLACK-OUT BLUES

By Betty Blue

THE sun came in my window this morning; the first sunshine I had seen for a long time, and very welcome; but how grubby and dark it made everything look.

❖ The middle of February, and Easter coming early! Quite time to begin to make plans for Spring-cleaning, to let some light and colour into the house, and forget those black-out blues.

❖ Those black curtains. We can shake out the dust and line them inside with a nice rosy pink or sunshine yellow, and pull them well back during the day and have a loop to hold them back at the side of each window.

❖ Dark skirting and woodwork rails can be given a light coat—two, if possible—in a pale stone or, nicer and newer still, a pale pink. Pink—a mother-of-pearl tint is most fashionable for interior paintwork just now. It looks most attractive against the brown tones of mahogany or walnut and lends itself—if it is pale enough—to all sorts of colour schemes.

❖ Folkweave, because of its weight, is one of the most practical materials for curtains and covers at the moment. I came across a pretty woven tapestry design in fairly deep colour to tone with rust, gold, blue and green. Very hard-wearing and cheerful it looked, and considering it was only 9½d. a yard and 46 in. wide, a good bargain for these times.

❖ There were some folkweave bedspreads, too, in a cross two-colour stripe design, either rose, blue or green, with pale fawn, for 7s. 6d. each. That is single-bed size. The double size were 8s. 11d. each. Really nice heavy-weight ones. Just right for when we can say good-bye to the eiderdown. If you want me to choose you one, please remember to enclose 6d. for its postage, and address to Betty Blue, "The People," Acre House, London, W.C.2.

❖ There are lots of Spring-cleaning bargains around if you have time to look for them. I'll do it for you, if you like, so long as you tell the sort of thing you are interested in.

### SISTER SUSIE'S KNITTING BEE

THERE were nothing but grumbles at the knitting party this week. Mrs. Jones didn't know what wheeling was and Mrs. Brown had to be shown how to make a stitch without making a hole as well, and somebody else couldn't get any four ply in the colour she wanted, but she was offered some two ply instead, and started abusing the shop as if it were their fault.

Take the two ply, I advised her, and knit two strands together; it is quite easy and after a round or two you won't notice it. The two-ply wool is usually very good quality, and when knitted two strands together gives a nice smooth tension far nicer than a coarser ply.

I'll show you, I said, and produced a pair of child's gloves I was knitting with two balls of two-ply wool. Children's gloves, by the way, are economical to knit that way, and quite easy to do. If any of you would like my instructions for making them I shall be pleased to send them to you. A stamped addressed envelope should be enclosed, and address letters to Sister Susie, "The People," Acre House, Long Acre, London, W.C.2.

### HOUSEHOLD ABC

ADAPT instructions for knitting socks to size required by using larger or smaller needles, thus producing a different tension. This is preferable to using a thicker or finer ply wool.

BACON-POTATO cakes for breakfast. Mash some boiled potatoes with a little margarine. Fry some slices of streaky bacon. Chop finely and mix with potatoes. Mix into small cakes and fry in the bacon fat.

CLOTHS in which puddings are boiled should be scalded well and wrung out as dry as possible. Then pour well in the centre before putting in pudding. Place a plate or saucer at the bottom of the pan to prevent pudding sticking.

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Prizes will be awarded for the best hints beginning with V. W. V. Entries must be written on postcards (not enclosed in envelopes) addressed to "Mrs. X. c/o 'The People,' 72, Long Acre, London, W.C.2, and should reach this office not later than Wednesday, February 21.

DISHES of glass or earthenware should be removed from the oven with a dry cloth. Never place on a cold slab or damp board or the dishes may crack.

ENSURE the success of your pastry by remembering a few simple rules. Keep all utensils, pastry, oil, butter, wooden spoons, dredger, etc.—perfectly clean and dry. Use the coldest water you can get for the liquid. Rub the butter into the flour. This lets the air through and prevents lumps.

FRYING fritters. Remember, when you have finished frying your first batch the fat is not so hot as when you put them in. Boil up the fat and then fry the second lot.

MANGLE Give your mangle a spring clean. Oil well with a good machine oil. Rub the working parts free from dust, using a paraffin rag. Wash the metal framework with warm soapy water. Clean the rubber parts with a little turpentine on a soft rag. Cover with a heavy sheet to protect from dust.

Five shillings has been awarded to the following readers for hints beginning with S. T. U.

SMOKY patches above the gas globes, which disfigure an otherwise white ceiling, should be treated to a good paste of starch and water. Rub with a clean piece of flannel. Leave it to dry, on then wipe off with a brush or soft duster, and no trace of smokiness remains.—Mrs. Collier, 5, Mount Cottages, George-st., Altrincham.

THIS jam is a change and does not need sugar. Take six oranges, one lemon, 2 lb. dates three pints water. Remove all pits, and cut up very finely the oranges and lemon and boil in the water till soft. Stone and chop the dates mix with the orange and lemon, and boil for half an hour. You will have 6 lb. of jam.—Mrs. Wicks, 26, Fley-rd., Reading, Berks.

UNBLEACHED sheets that are being washed for the first time will become white if you follow my tip. Pour a tablespoonful and a half of turpentine into the copper and boil the sheets in it. Rinse and hang out. Now we know when dry, both the dressing and the cream colour will have gone.—Mrs. L. Wakefield, 43, The Crescent, Tingley, near Wakefield.

### PUDDING with GLAMOUR

By "HOUSEWIFE"

"I COULD make my meal off this pudding," I heard someone say the other day. The pudding was a steamed suet sponge with golden syrup, flavoured with orange peel, I discovered. You probably have a family favourite, too, that just fits the bill in these not much meat days. What is coconut with lemon, chocolate bread, marmalade or polly polly jam?

Write your recipe for a "Sweet Pudding" on a postcard and send it to "Housewife," The People, Acre House, Long Acre, London, W.C.2, to arrive not later than Wednesday, February 21. Five shillings will be paid for each recipe published.

Here are last week's winners:—

#### OATMEAL HAGGIS

INGREDIENTS: 2 breakfastcupfuls oatmeal, ½ teaspoonful salt, shake of pepper, 2 tablespoonfuls margarine (or fat), 2 tablespoonfuls each currants and raisins, onion (large).

Soak oatmeal overnight, chop onion finely, mix all ingredients through oatmeal. Put in a well-greased bowl and cover. Steam for 3 hours. Serve with vegetables and brown sauce made with an Oxo cube. Enough for four people.—Mrs. D. Sherry, 17, Bryson-rd., Edinburgh.

#### VEGETABLE DUMPLING

LINE a suitably sized pudding basin with a suet crust, leaving enough to form a rim. Chopped some swede, turnips, carrots and onions, also parsnips, if liked, cut up potatoes into small pieces. Place these in alternate layers in the basin, sprinkling a little suet between, season to taste, press well down until there is just enough room for the lid. Melt a beef-cube in a little water and pour over. Place lid on top and tie up securely and steam for 2 or 3 hours.—Miss C. Hedges, Bosavern House, St. Just, W. Cornwall.

#### LENTIL ROAST

SOAK 1 lb. lentils for a few hours. Peel and chop finely 2 large onions. Boil lentils and onions with 1 pint milk until tender. Drain off any excess moisture. Add 1 lb. cooking apples (chopped), 1 lb. potatoes (boiled and mashed), ½ lb. bread-crumbs, pepper and salt and pinch of sage. Mix thoroughly.

Pack mixture, about 4 inches thick into baking tin. Bake in a moderate oven ½ hour. Beat 1 egg with 2 oz. grated cheese and spread on top. Return to oven until brown. Cut in squares and serve with tomato sauce.—Mrs. A. Lonsdale, 97, Ramsden-rd., Balham, S.W.12.

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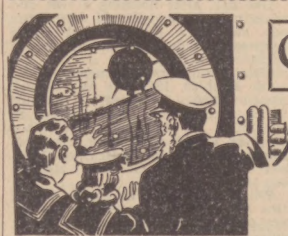
The liver should pour out two pints of bile liquid into your bowels daily. If this bile is not flowing freely, your food doesn't digest. It just decays in the bowels. Gas blows up your stomach. You get constipated. Your whole system is poisoned, and you feel sour, sunk, and the world looks lumpy.

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### CHEERY COONS' CORNER Conducted by Eb' & Flo'

"Rovers of the Deep"  
Episode 3

SILAS KUNNING ACTS



Fish from side to side. All the lights went out. Everyone waited with bated breath, and when a moment later the submarine was lit up by a blaze of light they breathed a sigh of relief. They had escaped disaster.

Pale and anxious, Uncle John rushed out from the chart-room.

"It's all right, sir," said Captain Mack, "but it was a close thing."

"Thanks, Skipper," said Uncle John. "That mine was the work of Silas Kunning, without a doubt. Now we know he has discovered the secret of the vast fortune on Eurantis."

What kind of fortune? asked the captain.

On the spot that I showed you on my map I believe the mine of small pulses and mighty temples are encrusted with

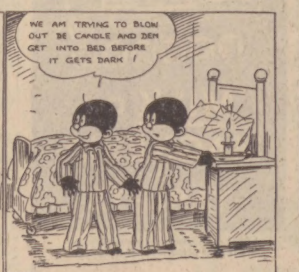
thousands upon thousands of precious stones and rare metals of priceless worth, which although they have been buried beneath the ocean for centuries I hope to find just as they were when the great subterranean earthquake plunged Eurantis to the bottom of the sea.

Next morning Captain Mack issued orders for the submarine to rise to the surface.

Bob and Betty wanted to know the reason for this and were told that the submarine was on a new reel. For this purpose Uncle John had made special advance arrangements on the island of

A few minutes later Bob and his sister were standing on the deck of the submarine, gazing over the blue waters towards the island on which they were to have yet another stirring adventure.

Don't miss next week's great story.



Bump! Bump! Bump! Now what are those twins up to? Eb and Flo who were very startled, looked up at the ceiling, wondering why the twins were not in bed. Hurrying upstairs, Eb and Flo heard a lot of running about as they

goi near the twins' bedroom. And when they went inside, what do you think the twins said? They were trying to blow out the candle, and then got into bed before it gets dark, they cried. They would be clever if they could do that!

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BEN COBEY

# BRITAIN'S UNKNOWN HERO

**THE heroic story of how an officer and three men of the 37th Battery, R.F.A., saved their gun from falling into the hands of the enemy at Le Cateau during the last war is one that will live for ever. But this epic exploit had a strange sequel which has never before been revealed. Of the quartette, three were awarded the V.C. But the fourth, young Ben Cobey, killed in the action, was not; though his comrades thought the Cross had been posthumously awarded him and given to his mother.**

DEATH rained down upon the wide plain of Le Cateau. All day the guns had thundered. All day the battle had raged. The British, heavily outnumbered by the German hordes descending in successive waves upon them, were making a valiant stand. Again and again they had repulsed attacks, backed up by heavy fire from our field batteries in the rear. But our guns could not compete with the enemy's. For every shell we sent over they replied with six.

The month was August, 1914, that terrible month of slaughter when our "Contemptible Little Army," sneered and scoffed at by the Kaiser and his generals, was so stubbornly and heroically resisting the might of the German war machine.

The war had been in progress 22 days, and only a week before the 37th Battery of the Royal Field Artillery had landed in France.

Events moved swiftly in those days. Five days after leaving England the

battery went into action and by August 25 they had reached Mons. It was their first taste of war, their first experience of being under fire, but they acquitted themselves gallantly.

For 12 hours they were bombarded continuously by the German heavy field guns before the order came to retire towards Le Cateau. Hard pressed by an overwhelmingly superior force of infantry, they began the retreat, but early on the morning of the following day they were forced to stand and fight back on the wide, open plain near Le Cateau.

Their plight could scarcely have been more perilous. They were trapped on flat country without a vestige of cover, exposed to the withering German fire. The enemy were shelling at almost point-blank range, sending them over not in ones and twos, but a dozen at a time.

Men who were at Le Cateau and fought through the rest of the war

remembered that battle as one of their most harrowing and dreadful experiences.

Gun after gun was blown to pieces, and others were silenced as their crews dropped under the hail of shrapnel. Soon the plain was a shambles, littered with the bodies of men and horses, and the cries of the wounded rose even above the thunder of the guns.

But the survivors fought on with dogged courage. They had no thought of surrender. That was the glorious spirit of August, 1914—to stand and fight to the last man and the last gun, and it was this same spirit that eventually was to crack the armour of the "invincible" German army.

The firing grew hotter, and, covered by their artillery, the enemy infantry began advancing across the plain in a solid grey wall. Bullets from the British lines met them, but few shells, for by this time all but four of our guns were out of action. Many upon which the Germans had registered direct hits had been blown to smithereens with their crews and teams.

To have held out any longer would have been suicidal, so reluctantly those who had escaped the day-long hail of death prepared to retire.

They had done well, holding up the German thrust for valuable hours, but that was not enough. Two guns still remained sound, and in 37th Battery there were four heroes determined that they should not fall into the enemy's hands.

They had ample time to retire in safety with the rest of the British troops, but they did not give this a thought, and when Captain Douglas Reynolds called for volunteers for the hazardous task of limbering up and making a dash for it under fire three men stepped eagerly forward.

Their names, together with that of Captain Reynolds, will be forever remembered as the Four Heroes of Le Cateau. They were Driver Job Drain, Driver Ben Cobey, and Driver Frederick Luke.

By PIERS ENGLAND

King George decorated them in the little village of Solon some time later he said: "You are very young, but you have made a grand start. I am proud of you." And the rest of the nation shared the King's pride in this epic feat of the saving of the guns.

East London gave Job Drain a great reception when he came home on leave to his parents' home in Barking.

"Shells were coming over on us ten at a time," he said, describing the battle. "They were bursting all over the shop—on the top of our guns and over our wagon lines—and there were also plenty of bullets flying about."

"Man after man was wounded and horses killed when we got the order to mount. It was terrible. Shells were bursting over the top of us and other batteries were getting smashed to pieces."

"We could not get anywhere for shelter, so we had to sit on our horses, bending down with our heads between them. Most of our drivers were wounded in the legs, arms and hands, and we already had given up all hopes and were patiently waiting for our turn to come."

Unfortunately this stirring story of the Heroes of Le Cateau had an unhappy sequel. Three of the quartette, as I have said, were awarded the V.C., but the fourth, young Ben Cobey, who laid down his life to save the guns, was unhonoured.

## AN UNSOLVED MYSTERY

The mystery of why the fourth hero of this epic feat was not rewarded in the same manner as his comrades has never been solved. Many brave men who were killed in action were awarded the highest military honour posthumously, but the only recognition of Cobey's gallantry was a mention in despatches ten months after his death.

I have been in touch with his relatives, who, for twenty-five years, have fought to gain a just reward for the young artillery driver's bravery. His mother made strenuous efforts to rouse the War Office, and even as recently as last summer the family endeavoured to obtain permission to place the distinction "V.C." after Ben Cobey's name on a memorial vase they were placing on his father's grave—he, like many another hero, lies in some unknown corner of France.

"For nine months we did not know that Ben had been killed," his aunt told me. "He promised to write from France, but he never did because he was dead within a week of landing there."

"When his mother wrote she was told that Ben was still alive and well, although he had been dead nearly a month, and we might never have learned the truth if we had not read an account of the saving of the guns."

It described how three V.C.s had been won by the 37th Battery, and how

## THREE GALLANT DRIVERS

One gun was got safely away to the shelter of a neighbouring village, but by the time they had hitched a team to the second the German infantry were less than a hundred yards away.

With bullets whistling all round them the four men swung themselves into their saddles and urged their terrified horses into a mad gallop.

Away they flew, careering wildly over the broken ground, through the wheat and the mangold wurzel fields, the sole target of hundreds of German rifles.

The going was dangerously bad and the horses stumbled and slid as they raced frantically on but, riding like men possessed, the Captain and his three gallant drivers kept them going.

Suddenly Ben Cobey, riding one of the centre horses, was hit. For a moment

## LIFE'S BIG PROBLEMS

### "WISHBONES AND BACKBONES"

By the People's Friend

the moment that runs: "Wishing will make it so." That's all very well for a sentimental ballad, but when you come down to brass tacks it's a mile off the target.

WISHING will make it so! Of course it won't! Wishes without some drive and determination behind them are about as much use as a motor-car without petrol. They'll get you nowhere!

After all, what's the use of shiftlessly wishing for a thing unless you try your best to make it come true?

No one has ever achieved a worthwhile goal like that. And make no mistake about this—we are not going to wish ourselves out of this war.

AIR Minister Sir Kingsley Wood made that very plain the other day when he emphasised the danger of a lackadaisical attitude towards the enemy.

"We must be prepared and ready," he said. "Wishbones are no substitute for backbones."

He hit upon a neat and effective phrase there. Too many folk are thinking more about wishbones than backbones today. They need waking up to their responsibilities.

Victory and freedom from the bullies who seek to dominate Europe lies at the end of a hard, rough road. We've got to march along that road, not wish it behind us!

he swayed in the saddle and then he lurched sideways, pitching heavily to the ground.

There he lay while the team thundered on their wild ride, pursued by German machine fire.

Driver Cobey was the only one of the quartette to lose his life in that epic episode of the saving of the guns at Le Cateau.

Captain Reynolds was killed later in the war, but both Drain and Luke came through safely. These three were awarded the Victoria Cross for their magnificent courage. The two drivers were mere boys—Job Drain was only nineteen—and when

Major Harding-Newman, who was later in command of the battery, also wrote to Ben Cobey's mother.

"From what I am told," he wrote, "there is no doubt that your son met a soldier's death in that battle under circumstances that did him the greatest honour. Drivers Drain and Luke were the lead and wheel drivers and your son was the centre driver, and their honours were his, too."

But in spite of all this evidence the memory of Ben Cobey was unrewarded. It is an unfortunate last chapter to a story of heroism, a regrettable sequel to a glorious feat.

Yet there is this consolation for his family. Driver Cobey's name may have no place on the nation's roll of honour, but in the memory of his comrades of Le Cateau he will live for ever as a hero. Reynolds, Drain, Luke and Cobey—a quartette of gallant soldiers—England does not forget them.

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## MISTRESS OR MAID?

Mrs. Brown's new maid had her own ideas about washing clothes

GRACIOUS ME, MEG! I CAN HARDLY SEE YOU FOR STEAM! ARE YOU BOILING CLOTHES?

OH YES, MUM. I GAVE THEM ALL A GOOD RUB THROUGH AND NOW I'M GIVING THEM A NICE LONG BOIL.

BUT MEG, THERE'S NO NEED TO BOIL CLOTHES NOWADAYS. IT'S OLD FASHIONED!

NOT SO! THE CLOTHES, MUM? BUT YOU CAN'T GET CLOTHES CLEAN AND WHITE WITHOUT BOILING THEM!

THE FOLLOWING MONDAY

NOW LOOK MEG, WE'LL JUST LET THIS FIRST BATCH OF WHITES SOAK IN THESE WARM RINSO SUDS FOR 15 MINUTES. YOU SEE, THE WHOLE SECRET IS RINSO.

YES MUM.

VERY GOOD MUM.

I ASSURE YOU, MEG, I WOULDN'T PUT UP WITH CLOTHES THAT WERE NOT CLEAN AND WHITE. MY METHOD IS THOROUGHLY SUCCESSFUL. I'LL SHOW YOU NEXT MONDAY.

THANKS MUM. I'M ONE OF THE INTERFERING SORTS. AS IF I COULD ASK MUM HOW TO WASH CLOTHES!

15 MINUTES LATER

LOOK MEG! AREN'T THEY CLEAN? AND YOU REMEMBER HOW DIRTY THESE TOWELS WERE!

WELL, I MUST SAY YOU'VE SURPRISED ME, MUM! THIS FIRST BATCH IS LOVELY. BUT EVEN RINSO WON'T GET MY APRON CLEAN WITHOUT BOILING.

20 MINUTES LATER

WELL, I NEVER! THESE APRONS ARE SPOTLESS! WITHOUT ANY HARD RUBBING! AND LOOK AT THE FUEL WE SAVED, MUM!

YES MEG. THIS METHOD IS EASIER ON THE CLOTHES, TOO, AND NOW YOU'LL BE ABLE TO TAKE THE EVENING OFF. THANKS TO RINSO.

NO NEED NOW TO BOIL CLOTHES

IN the last few weeks, I thousands of women have proved for themselves that there is no need now to boil clothes!

You can prove it, too. Your whites will be snowy without any boiling and without any hard rubbing, if they are soaked in warm Rinsosuds for a few minutes. It sounds too good to be true but you'll see it with your own eyes.

ECONOMY

Not only will you get better results; you'll save too. Tests prove this new method saves over an hour's fuel every washday.

It also saves an immense amount of time. An average wash (50 pieces) can be finished 1½ hours earlier this new no-boiling way. And there is another important point: Clothes washed this new way wear better. Actual practical tests prove they last one-third as long again! That means an immense saving on such items as shirts, underclothes, overalls, etc.

Start this wonderful, quick and economical way of washing next washday! Remember, all fabrics, all garments are safe in Rinsos. Packets are 3d., 6d. or 1/- (Giant packet).

NEW METHOD: Sort out your ordinarily dirty whites and put them into the copper in cold Rinsosuds. Let them soak for about a quarter of an hour while the suds warm up, then take them out. Now the extra-dirty whites can be done in the same suds! Very grubby places should be damped first and a little dry Rinsosmoother in. Let this second batch soak for about twenty minutes while the suds continue to warm up. When you take the clothes out, the water will be hot—but not nearly boiling. Yet the clothes will be dazzling. In this way, you save at least half the fuel you usually burn. And the suds can then be used AGAIN for general cleaning.

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# Britain Has Command Of The Skies—Lord Chatfield

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### 1,224 DIAMONDS SHOWN IN COURT

VALUED AT £15,000, A TOTAL OF 1,224 DIAMONDS WEIGHING 1.651 CARATS WAS PRODUCED AT THE LONDON GUILDHALL YESTERDAY WHEN DONALD HAROLD HUTTER, AGED TWENTY-SEVEN, WHOSE ADDRESS WAS NOT DIVULGED, WAS REMAINED IN CUSTODY UNTIL WEDNESDAY, CHARGED WITH BEING FOUND IN UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF THEM.

Det.-Sergt. Henry Davis said that on Friday, when he and Det. Scrymgeour entered the office of Backes and Strauss in Holborn Viaduct, they saw Hutter seated at a table with a Mr. Stroud.

Mr. Stroud handed Hutter a piece of paper containing the diamonds and said: "You had better take these back and let me have my receipt." Hutter produced a receipt, and the police took possession of this and the diamonds.

"FROM ABROAD"  
Sergt. Davis said that Hutter, after first saying that he could not account for his possession of the diamonds, said later: "I brought them from abroad." Asked if he would say from where he brought them, Hutter answered: "It is necessary to go into that in the presence of all these persons?" The officer said that he then told Hutter that he would be arrested and charged with being found in possession of diamonds stolen abroad. On the way to the police station Hutter said: "I will tell you all you want to know about them." At the station he made and signed a written statement.

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## "ALLIES WILL GATHER NEW COMRADES IN THE FIGHT"

### They Had A Private War

**SOLICITOR** (for a wife): And what happened in September, 1939?  
Wife: Oh, the present war broke out; but there had been a state of hostilities between my husband and myself for a considerable time before that.

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Husband (cross-examining wife): Stop talking to me for once and talk to somebody else for a change—the magistrate, for instance.

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Magistrate (to woman charged with assaulting another): What do you say happened?

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Woman: I was just a woman's scrap. I caught hold of her hair and she caught hold of mine and I suppose I am here because I pulled out more than she did.

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Solicitor: One Saturday is very much like another; your husband comes home at dinner-time and gives you his money.

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Wife: Yes; but on this particular Saturday he didn't.

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Magistrate (to a husband): Now it is your turn to question your wife. You know what a question is?

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Husband: I ought to, sir. I have been married twenty years, and have had to answer a few.

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Husband: My wife has definitely refused to accompany me when I have had to move about the country. Hitherto is a positive obsession with her.

### "HALL OF MEMORY" IS BURNT DOWN

From Our Own Correspondent  
Salisbury, Saturday.  
Inchcape Memorial Hall, at Lake, near Salisbury, a picturesque building in one of the most beautiful valleys in England, was destroyed by fire early today.

It was an old tithe barn, converted by Janet Bailey and her husband, Lieut.-Col. F. G. G. Bailey, in memory of Lady Janet's father, the first Earl of Inchcape.

The hall was used as a village club. It is understood that Col. Bailey and Lady Janet will erect another building.

## Chancellor Thanks Mr. Smith WAR SAVINGS TOP £86,000,000

THE LITTLE MEN OF BRITAIN HAVE SUBSCRIBED £86,316,165 IN TWELVE WEEKS SINCE THE SAVE-FOR-VICTORY CAMPAIGN STARTED.

Last week they bought £2,691,818 worth of Savings Certificates and £3,306,620 of Defence Bonds. They formed 1,490 new savings groups, enrolling 143,110 members.

Savings would no doubt have been still greater had it not been for the Christmas holidays, income-tax demands, and the recent bad weather.

Even so, the total of £42,549,800 in Savings Certificates and £43,766,365 in Defence Bonds have beaten all expectations. Thanks to Smith, Jones and Brown, the Chancellor is looking forward to topping the first £100,000,000.

## "The People's" Secret Service News

THE Australian Government will announce soon that it is undertaking a much bigger munitions production plan on behalf of Britain.

Aircraft, guns and ammunition will be manufactured, and Australia will become the main direct source of supply for all British troops operating in the Middle and Far East.

OWING to sullenness among farm workers and other inhabitants of the country districts, Nazi Party officials have been instructed to organise an improved system of rural espionage.

They have been told that they must "keep the authorities regularly informed of the mood of the people in their districts, and take what action they consider fit against persons incurring their disapprobation."

THOUGH Hitler still has the loyalty of all his lieutenants, his task in making them all pull in the same direction is growing more difficult.

Goering and Himmler are at daggers drawn. So are Goering and Ribbentrop. But that does not mean that Ribbentrop and Himmler both hated by Goering—are friends or allies. Actually, their hatred of each other is only equalled by their hatred of Goering.

Goebbels is getting on much

better with Goering than was the case a few months ago. But Goebbels and Ribbentrop—though allies in the Left Wing of the Nazi Movement—are personal enemies.

RIBBENTROP, tied up with the Soviets, is urging Hitler to strike Finland in the back, through Sweden.

Goering, whose first wife was a Swede, is trying to persuade Hitler not to do anything of the kind. His argument is that Germany's economic position is perilous, and that a war on Sweden and Finland, apart from what it would cost, would cut off many valuable supplies which Germany now gets from Scandinavia.

CLOTHING inspectors are causing serious irritation among German housewives. They visit houses and call on the housewife to exhibit her wardrobe for inspection.

It is found that she has six frocks, she is told to choose two of which she wants to keep. And the other four are taken away to a Central Depot. They tell her that as current purchases of clothing are now rationed, it is unfair that some women should be able to start the rationing period with a big reserve stock of clothes.

The inspectors call only on non-Nazi households. The wives of Nazi officials, somehow, are exempt from these visits.

BRITAIN'S AIR STRENGTH IS GREAT AND EVER GROWING. WE HAVE GAINED VALUABLE TIME TO BUILD IT UP. IT WILL BE BROUGHT INTO PLAY AT THE RIGHT INSTANT.

Lord Chatfield, Minister of Co-ordination of Defence, gave this straight warning to Hitler in a speech yesterday at Cardiff. It is a warning from a man who knows what he is talking about. Lord Chatfield, for five years until 1938, was First Sea Lord and Chief of Naval Staff. He was speaking as an expert on war strategy when he said:

"Great air battles, like great sea battles, will not be won necessarily by the most numerous forces. Every act of airmanship in this war gives me confidence that in the fight for the command of the air, whenever it begins on a great scale, our most gallant airmen will prove superior."

Lord Chatfield claimed that at no time had there been closer harmony between the three Services. We had reached the stage today where, in practice, co-ordination had been replaced by co-operation.

"They are feeling their way, testing the enemy's skill, discovering his methods of attack and defence, as will a skilled boxer in the opening rounds."

We could take confidence from the small German achievements against our shipping.

In the last war it took two years for Germany's rulers to decide on what was called unrestricted warfare against unarmed merchant ships. This time they started immediately.

"This practice of 'murder on the high seas' is a typical German invention, never heard of, except by pirates and buccaners, before Germany had a navy."

"Fortunately, our Navy was well prepared for this treachery. It has sunk the German surface ships that ventured to sea. Her submarine fleet is reduced by half, and will, I believe, continue to be destroyed at a greater rate than she can add to it."

"We shall equally purge the sea of her mine fields. But she is a crafty and vicious foe and we shall have many losses as well and must not let them dismay us."

"We remain in command of the seas. The first great step has been taken to ensure Germany's ultimate defeat."

"We are fighting a battle for the good of the world, and the greater part of the world realises it. I believe the Allies will gather comrades as we fight our way onwards."

"We, like Columbus, are looking for a new world."

## Jail-Breaker Found Captured After Four Months

AFTER being at liberty for more than four months, Thomas Millard, aged twenty-seven, who escaped from Cardiff Prison in September, was under arrest at Marlborough-st. Police Station, London, yesterday, awaiting an escort to take him back to Cardiff.

Millard was arrested near Marble Arch on Friday night.

Police all over England and Wales had been keeping a look-out for Millard, who made an ingenious escape from the jail.

With other prisoners he had been engaged in chopping firewood. When a lorry arrived at the prison to take the load away to institutions in the city he hid himself among the sticks.

His was the third prison break in a week at the time.

OTHER ESCAPES  
Millard, whose address was given as Hornsey-rd., Holloway, N., was serving an 18 months' sentence for house-breaking.

On February 5 an escaped convict was arrested in the same area in Oxford-st. He was Stanley Hilton Thurston, who had escaped from Lewes on August 9 and had eluded the police for 179 days—a record period of liberty.

Described as "The man no prison

### FAST LINER OUTWITS U-BOAT

Rio de Janeiro (by Air Mail).

AFTER a dramatic passage from Havre and an escape from a U-boat attack, the 9,954-ton French liner Lipari has arrived here safely, following a report that she had been torpedoed.

The Lipari was attacked by a U-boat off Vigo on the Spanish coast, but none of the torpedoes struck her.

Thanks to her speed, she was able to escape by changing her course.—Reuter.



Edna Best and her latest husband, Nat Wolff, whom she married at Las Vegas, Nevada, shortly after her divorce from Herbert Marshall, the British actor, whom she married after her divorce from Seymour Beard.

## "Women Accosted" RECTOR ON DRINK CHARGES

From Our Own Correspondent Bedford, Saturday.

A POLICE allegation that the Rector of Blunham, Beds, the Rev. Wm. Henry Hopkin, aged 49, accosted women in a street was made at Bedford Borough Sessions today.

He was fined £15 for being in charge of a car while under the influence of drink to such an extent as to be incapable of having proper control on Thursday afternoon.

He was also fined 10s. for being drunk and incapable in St. Paul's-square, Bedford, on Friday afternoon. He was disqualified for driving for a year.

Mr. W. A. Lake (defending) entered formal pleas of not guilty in both cases.

Police Constable Lacey said that on Thursday afternoon he saw Hopkin, who was very unsteady, accosting women in the street.

Later Hopkin got into the driver's seat of a car. When asked to get out he was very unsteady on his feet and his speech was slurred.

Dr. G. K. Bowes said that Hopkin smelt of alcohol. His pulse was rapid, he was unsteady, standing and walking, his manner was emotional and his speech incoherent.

Mr. Lake said that this case was a tragedy. There was no suggestion that the rector was drunk. He was just over a certain border line.

There was a possibility, Mr. Lake said, that the matter would not end in that court.

Regarding the second charge, Police Constable Commins said that he saw the rector staggering about in St. Paul's-square. He was incapable of taking care of himself.

### 3s. 6d. A WEEK MORE FOR WIVES OF NAVAL MEN

AS a war measure, and dating from December 7 last, wives of Naval ratings and Royal Marines living in the London postal area will receive an extra allowance of 3s. 6d. a week.

Announcing this yesterday, the Admiralty stated that the increase will also apply to "unmarried wives" in receipt of dependants' allowance at marriage allowance rates.

In cases where a special allowance already being paid is less than 3s. 6d. a week, adjustments will be made to bring the allowance up to that amount.

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**GOOD MORNING, MRS. GREEN. DON'T TELL ME YOU CAN PUT ANYTHING BY THESE DAYS.**

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**WELL, YOU'VE SURELY DISCOVERED SOMETHING THAT KEEPS YOU WARM AND FILLS YOU UP AND TASTES GOOD ALL AT THE SAME TIME.**

**HERE'S THE EXTRA HOUSEKEEPING FOR YOU.**

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## Edward Lyndoe's Predictions

### PLAN WITH THE PLANETS

WE ARE NOW COMING TO THE END OF THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF THE WAR, AND IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THIS IS A SUITABLE POINT AT WHICH TO REVIEW THE PROBABLE COURSE OF EVENTS.

I regard the coming month as marking the end of the first phase of the war.

The second phase is likely to last roughly another six months. Events will decisively favour the Allies.

The third, and last, period reaches a climax in the Spring of 1941 and brings final victory. By that time many of the present figureheads everywhere will be missing from the scene.

Many of you will remember my prediction of four years ago that 1941 would see the rise of a great World Leader. Next year will see the beginning of a great drive towards a new world order under the direction of an outstanding personality.

ONE of the crucial developments of the second phase of the war will be an important decision due to be taken in the near future by Italy. I am convinced that events will be focused chiefly round this decision, and that the most important activities will take place in the Near and Far East and not on the Western Front.

THE Italian move coincides with sensational changes in the internal affairs of that country. I regard fundamental alterations in the regime there as highly probable.



General Weyand, French Commander in Near East.

### BRIEF BIRTHDAY INDICATIONS (Applying to those whose anniversaries occur this week)

**TODAY**  
SATISFACTORY twelve-month from a business viewpoint, but you may find it a rather trying period on account of the degree of mental and emotional strain which affects your private life.

**TOMORROW**  
Interesting twelvemonth with fine opportunities for progress. Most business interests do exceptionally well, but you will need to be on your guard against extravagance.

**TUESDAY**  
Plenty of excitement for you this year, but you may have to work hard to secure any real advancement. Don't take any chances where occupational interests are at stake. Possibility of interesting financial gains.

**IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS THIS WEEK**, you can have a specially compiled Month-by-Month Review of your affairs up to the end of February, 1941 (over 3,500 words) by applying AT ONCE, together with a P.O. for 2/- to cover clerical and postal costs. State name (Mr., Mrs. or Miss), full postal address, date of birth, and send to Edward Lyndoe, c/o "The People," 93, Long Acres, W.C.2.

**WEDNESDAY**  
Changes an outstanding feature of the year for you. Marked indications of financial benefits resulting from the adoption of new ideas.

**THURSDAY**  
Impulsive decisions constitute the major danger of the year, and if

you may curb your impulsiveness during the next few months you should find this an extraordinarily progressive period. You will be well advised to postpone new ventures for a time.

**FRIDAY**  
You may find this a humdrum year. Strongly advise you not to risk any large-scale departure from normal routine. There is a distinctly sluggish tone about occupational and general business affairs. Play for safety in all matters in which money is at stake.

**SATURDAY**  
Interesting changes brighten this year considerably, and it is up to you to make the most of your chances. An original line of approach to most problems will result in a speedy solution. The immediate financial results may not be outstanding, but quite sound.

### HOW WE ALL STAND THIS WEEK (Look for your birth date below to find your section)

**MARCH 21 to APRIL 20**  
In spite of disturbing tendencies of present week-end, this promises to be a much more settled week than last. Monday, for example, gives you an excellent opportunity for clearing up existing problems.

Although not too helpful for dealing with £ s. d., it should enable you to strengthen your general position.

**APRIL 21 to MAY 20**  
Rather difficult week for your finances. Exercise caution on Monday and Friday in dealing with all questions involving expenditure. I would advise against any drastic

break with your normal routine for a time.

**MAY 21 to JUNE 20**  
You will be well advised to get your arrangements finalised on Monday, when influences appear to be strongly in your favour. As you approach next week-end there are signs of increasingly disturbed conditions.

**JUNE 21 to JULY 20**  
Early days this week are much more helpful for most of you than later ones. Monday is a fine day for dealing with all problems except those of a purely financial nature. Wednesday is the day for purchases and other money transactions.

**JULY 21 to AUGUST 21**  
Other people are the main source of difficulty for you folks this week, and I advise you not to allow your judgment to be unduly swayed by associates. Monday is the most suitable day for tackling current problems, and sound action then may lead to considerable advancement of your business interests.

**AUGUST 22 to SEPTEMBER 22**  
Number of disturbing incidents this week may lead to a feeling of grave indecision round about Tuesday. I advise careful handling of associates, for any attempt to push things to extremes could easily lead to estrangement.

**SEPTEMBER 23 to OCTOBER 22**  
Week begins with two rather disappointing days which tend to produce some heavy opposition to your plans. Strongly urge you to wait until Wednesday before attempting to push ahead. The

middle of the week is the most promising for dealing with financial questions.

**OCTOBER 23 to NOVEMBER 22**  
Two most successful days for handling current problems are Monday and Friday, although you should bear in mind that the former is rather a tricky day for your finances. Special care will be necessary to avoid indiscretions in correspondence on Thursday.

**NOVEMBER 23 to DECEMBER 20**  
Wednesday is easily the one outstandingly good day of this week for you folks, and I advise you to plan so that your major activities coincide with that part of the week.

**DECEMBER 21 to JANUARY 19**  
As the week lengthens conditions improve considerably, and Thursday appears to be an outstandingly good day for practically all your interests. Greater stability in business affairs is evidenced towards the week-end.

**JANUARY 20 to FEBRUARY 18**  
Although Monday is a most encouraging day for the majority of your interests you need to be wary in dealing with all problems in which money is involved. Purely speculative ventures may prove extremely dangerous at this stage.

**FEBRUARY 19 to MARCH 20**  
You have to contend with friction this week, and I advise the utmost tact in all contacts at mid-week. The one really safe day for handling your affairs is Tuesday, but from that point on you should confine yourself to routine activities.

## TODAY'S RADIO

391.1 METRES (767 kc/s) and 449.1 METRES (668 kc/s)

7.0 a.m.—Time: News.  
7.10—Gramophone.  
7.30—Caravan Players.  
8.0—Time: News.  
8.15—Susan Sivko (pianoforte).  
8.45—London Palladium Orchestra.  
9.25—Bells from Groydon Parish Church.  
9.30—Service: Address by the Rt. Rev. The Bishop of Groydon, from Groydon Parish Church.  
10.15—The Alfredo Campoli Trio.  
10.45—Peace on the River: Robert Gibbins.  
11.0—Kenneth Bygott at the Organ.  
11.25—Whitely String Quartet.  
11.45—Trobe and his Mandolins, with Percy Manchester.  
12.15 p.m.—Reading from "Barchester Towers".  
12.30—Students' Songs.  
1.0—Time: News.  
1.10—Sunderland Constabulary Band.  
1.45—Reginald Porter-Brown at the Organ.  
2.15—In Your Garden, by C. H. Middleton, and John Russell.  
2.30—Orchestral Concert.  
3.30—Central Band of the Royal Air Force.  
4.0—Euterpe, a New Parlour Game.  
4.30—Rhythm on Reeds.  
5.0—News in Welsh.  
5.15—Children.  
6.0—Time: News.  
6.15—Under Nazi Rule—1, by C. W. Guillebaud.  
6.30—Buddy Beaven at the Organ.  
6.50—Gramophone.  
7.30—The Shadow Passes, by Mabel Constanduros and Howard Aze.  
7.55—Organ Voluntary.  
8.0—Service: Address by the Rt. Rev. the Lord Bishop of Monmouth, from St.

Mark's Church, Newport, Monmouth-shire.  
8.40—Week's Good Cause.  
8.45—Hebridean Songs, sung by Olga Haily (contralto).  
9.0—Time: News.  
9.15—The Empire Sings.  
9.45—Molschewitz (pianoforte).  
10.45—Epilogue.  
10.55—B.B.C. Salon Orchestra.  
11.40—Father Raven, a Short Story by A. E. Coppard, read by John Glyn-Jones.  
12.0 midnight—Time: News.

### For the Forces

11.0 a.m. to 6.0 p.m. (373.1 Metres 804 kc/s; 6.0 to 7.0 p.m. (373.1 Metres, 804 kc/s) and (342.1 Metres, 877 kc/s); 7.0 to 11.0 p.m. (342.1 Metres, 877 kc/s)  
11.0 a.m.—Short Service.  
11.15—Records.  
11.45—Home Service Programme.  
12.15 p.m.—Records.  
12.30—Home Service Programme.  
1.15—Garrison Theatre (recording).  
1.45—Records.  
2.30—Home Service Programme.  
4.0—Association Football: The French Army v. The British Army. Commentary by Raymond Glyn-Jones.  
4.45—Ray Sillier and his Band, with Guest Artists.  
5.15—W. H. Squire (cello).  
5.25—B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra.  
6.45—Concert Party from France.  
6.50—Buddy Beaven at the Organ.  
7.0—Short Service.  
7.20—Weekly News Letter.  
7.40—Accord on Rhythm, presented by James Moody, with Three to Harmony.  
8.45—Records.  
8.50—Variety Concert.  
9.0—Home Service Programme.  
10.15—Al Bellingham at the Organ, with Neebort Webster (violin) and Sidney Burdett (bassoon).  
10.45—Home Service Programme.



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# "This Way To Victory," Says Hoare EXPORT MORE, SAVE AND PAY

## Gloria, At 16, Is A Millionairess

### SWEET YOUNG GIRL, SAYS MOTHER

New York, Saturday.  
**GLORIA VANDERBILT**, who is sixteen on Tuesday, is worth more than £1,000,000.

And the daughter of Gloria Vanderbilt and the late Reginald Vanderbilt is rapidly developing into a little beauty.

She wears her glossy dark hair in a long bob, and has taken to deep red nail varnish and quite a lot of lipstick too. Both her mother and her aunt, Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney, one of New York's richest dowagers—with whom Gloria lives on Long Island—keep her out of the public eye as much as possible.

The courts awarded custody of Gloria to Mrs. Whitney several years ago, with provisions for visits to her mother, after a severe family court battle.

"We are very anxious for her to live a normal happy life like other girls her age," her mother declared.

#### DEBUT AT EIGHTEEN

Mrs. Vanderbilt, once reported as inheriting £1,400,000 from her husband, who died in 1925, now lives in a modest four-storey white stone house.

"If I could give you any information about anything else I'd do it gladly," she said.

"But not about my daughter. The child isn't a film actress. She is just a sweet young girl, home for the holidays—like other boys and girls her age."

Gloria attends one of the most exclusive girls' finishing schools near New York.

"She won't make her debut until she is eighteen," her mother added. "If she wants to go to college when she gets to that age, she'll go. That's her business,"—Associated Press.

#### ITALY'S BIG OIL "BUY"

Mexico City, Saturday.  
Italy bought 1,000,000 barrels of Mexican oil during January, when about 1,500,000 barrels were exported.—B.U.P.



GLORIA VANDERBILT

#### His Three Noses

## HE CAN CHANGE THEM AS DESIRED

Baltimore, Maryland, Saturday.

**A BALTIMORE** man lost his nose in an accident. But he doesn't worry much. Science has provided him with three new noses—one to match his summer tan, one to tone in with his winter pallor, and another to suit any in-between seasons.

Carl D. Clarke, Associate Professor of Art as applied to medicine at the University of Maryland, tells how the patient, whose name is withheld, lives normally.

The Professor has created compounds, chiefly of pre-vulcanised latex and filler, which can be moulded into noses and ears that defy detection.

Prosthesis, as this science is called, has proved a valuable adjunct to plastic surgery when the patient is too old or cannot take time for the lengthy operations necessary to replace destroyed tissue with cartilage and flesh from other parts of the body.

"Artificial features," says the Professor, "are held in place by spectacles or liquid cement, and enable wearers to lead normal lives instead of being disfigured objects of morbid curiosity."—Associated Press.

## "DON'T WASTE" APPEAL TO HOUSEWIVES

**AN** appeal to housewives not to waste food was made yesterday by Miss Florence Horsbrugh, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Health.

If every man, woman and child of the 47,000,000 in the United Kingdom were to waste half an ounce of bread daily, she said, the total for a year would amount to 247,000 tons of wheat.

That is nearly two weeks' normal consumption, and equivalent to the amount carried by about twenty-five wheat ships.

If every person in the United Kingdom were to waste 1/10th oz. of fat daily, the total would amount in a year to 50,000 tons.

Miss Horsbrugh was addressing teachers of domestic subjects in London. She mentioned that the wastage in peeling potatoes was often as high as 30 per cent. It should not be more than 10 to 15 per cent.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU

"THE PEOPLE" has pleasure today in offering congratulations to the following readers on the occasion of their wedding anniversaries:

**DIAMOND WEDDING**—Mr. and Mrs. C. Harris, 93, Farnell-rd., Bow, E.3.

**GOLDEN WEDDINGS**—Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Norris, The Nook, Uley, Glouce; Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Mould, Grogger-ter, Rawdon, near Leeds; Mr. and Mrs. James Murch, 70, Dean-lane, Moxton, Manchester; and Mr. and Mrs. C. Sharp, 41, Dee-st., Poplar, E.14.

**RUBY WEDDINGS**—Mr. and Mrs. F. C. England, 84, Sandling-ave., Hornhill, Bristol, 7; and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dickens, 26, Grange-st., Loughborough, Leics.

**PEARL WEDDING**—Mr. and Mrs. James Orlinton, Teviot House, Northampton-rd., Ashington, Northumberland.

**SILVER WEDDINGS**—Mr. and Mrs. G. Russell, 2, Finsbury-rd., Ramsgate; Mr.

## 'RECONCILE YOURSELF TO HIGHER TAXES'

**SIR SAMUEL HOARE**, IN A STRIKING SPEECH AT NOTTINGHAM YESTERDAY, TOLD BRITONS WHAT THEY MUST DO TO HELP TO WIN THE WAR.

Key-notes in his speech were:—

We must expand our exports;  
All the unemployed will soon be absorbed in industry;  
We must reconcile ourselves to increases in taxation;

Imports are to be restricted or prohibited;  
Food must not be wasted;  
We must grow more food.

Opening his speech, Sir Samuel said that if we did not maintain our fighting forces we must lose the war.

"But if we do not maintain our export trade we must also lose the war," he went on.

"That is why we must keep an anxious eye upon the productive capacity of our export industries. We must see that those industries have adequate manpower. We must see that they have sufficient raw materials.

#### TWO ECONOMIES

"I believe myself that it is possible to maintain our fighting forces at full strength and at the same time expand our export trade, but if we are to succeed in this we must impose two economies upon ourselves.

"We must economise in the uses of labour and we must economise in the uses of the products of labour. We must direct the energies of our working men and women to producing goods for foreign markets instead of the supply of home demands. Every citizen, every subject of the Crown, every member of the community, high and low, rich and poor, in the Services and in civilian life, must devote himself to the pursuit of economy in the use of the products of labour.

"We have 1,361,000 unemployed, but that does not represent the real unemployment situation. It is a misleading total. Our reserve of immediately available man-power in the labour market is probably not half the total number. It is inevitable, too, that this small reserve should disappear. All the men in it should find their way into productive work before long.

How, then, are we going to secure economy in the use of labour?

"First of all we must, each of us, regulate, restrict and confine our right to do as we please to mean that we must stop all buying, but that we must buy with wisdom and discretion. By this means we shall relieve a very heavy drain upon labour. We must reconcile ourselves to increases in taxation. The taxpayers have already paid up splendidly. They will not shrink from further sacrifices when the time comes for them.

"Imports that do not help the conduct of the war must be restricted and prohibited. The Government is already taking action on these lines."

#### WAGES

Talking about wages, Sir Samuel said the Government's policy was to sustain the buying power of the weekly pay envelope and to maintain our standards of life as fully and completely as it was possible in war conditions.

"But," he added, "you cannot say from this day forward there shall on account and nowhere be any rise in the wages of the workers.

"For the cost of living is not the only factor that enters into the question of wages. There may be workers, for example, who are admittedly underpaid and who cannot be told that we refuse even to consider a demand for a rise until the war is over."

Sir Samuel said that if we made it a personal ideal in every home to reduce the consumption of unnecessary food as far as possible and to exclude rigorously any waste, then we should be making a magnificent contribution to the winning of this war.

"Prevent waste wherever you can. But where there is waste to be carted away, help your council to collect it and to make the fullest use of it," he said.

#### GROW MORE

"We must grow more food at home. By growing more at home we need buy less from abroad. By this economy and by so other we can hope to emerge from this war, in one respect at least, sounder better off, wealthier than we went into it. For we shall have well-tilled fields where we grew thistles, plough land where we had moorland, and a prosperous countryside where we had a region of rural distress.

"We townsmen have our part to play, although we dwell in towns and have no special skill in working the soil. There are the allotments. That is where we, the townsmen, are summoned to duty. They are the town sector of the food front."

#### Nazis New Propaganda

## "HITLER WANTS PEACE!"

**GERMANY IS SEDU-  
LOUSLY SPREADING  
PROPAGANDA IN  
HOLLAND TO THE  
EFFECT THAT HITLER  
WANTS PEACE, AND  
THAT ONLY THE "WAR  
WILL" OF THE ALLIES  
PREVENTS ITS ATTAIN-  
MENT.**

Parties of German bankers have been visiting Holland, and meeting local politicians, business men and civic leaders at banquets arranged by the German consuls.

At all these gatherings this peace propaganda has been emphasised.

Dutch bankers and business men have now been invited to pay return visits to Germany in a fortnight's time, when the theme will be continued.

The Germans are believed to be using the Dutch to throw the blame for the continuance of the war on the Allies when Mr. Roosevelt's peace envoy comes to Europe.

## U.S. SINGS IN PRAISE OF BRITANNIA

New York, Saturday.

**RETURN** to her home port of H.M.S. Exeter has produced appreciative comment in America about the British Navy.

"The Exeter, together with the Ajax and Achilles, has fulfilled tradition and once again reminded the world that the British Navy is still there," says the "New York Herald Tribune."

"Her reappearance dispels German legend and propaganda that she was permanently disabled."

The "Houston Post" says: "The weakness of German claims that Britain's supremacy on the seas is being challenged or broken by aerial and submarine attacks was graphically illustrated by the arrival at Southampton of 30,000 Australian soldiers, the greatest mass movement of troops by ships in modern times."

"Britannia still rules the waves. A miracle is required to break her firm grip."—Reuter.

## HERE'S A TONIC FOR THOSE "BLACK-OUT BLUES"!

**HATS** and their correct hair styles are an intriguing feature of "Everywoman," No. 1 issue, on sale Tuesday next, price 7d. There are 96 pages, many in colour, in this brilliant new monthly magazine. A stylish dress pattern of only six pieces for 4½d. numerous practical ideas for the home and good stories are other features.

In addition, there is a thrilling booklet, free inside every copy, giving invaluable hints on dressmaking, knitting and embroidery and a unique "valeting" feature.

#### MISSING RELATIVES

Readers must give names and addresses, particulars of relationship and send 7s. 6d. to "The People," News House, 69-76, Long Acre, W.C.2. Notices not to exceed forty words.

Stanley Henry Walner, height over 6 ft., educated Reading School, served Air Force last war, has two children, last heard of 15/12/1939, then living Apt. 11, A. Brooklyn, N.Y.; not known there. Reason for wishing to find him: To make him beneficiary in will. Mrs. A. B. Taylor, 31, Bray-rd., Guildford, Surrey (known to Walner as "Auntie").

De Trafford, Gerrard—All is forgiven. Address urgently wanted.

#### ANSWERS TO TEASERS

Here are the Answers to Teasers appearing at foot of Page Eleven:—

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|------------------|-----------------|
| (1) Esperanto    | (7) Rubber      |
| (2) Watford      | (8) Mud         |
| (3) Rhododendron | (9) Trinidad    |
| (4) The Wash     | (10) Piccadilly |
| (5) Mummy        | (11) Weasel     |
| (6) Melton       | (12) Marmalade  |



## "4 appetites to satisfy on 26/- a week—that's my war-time job"

SAYS MRS. LLOYD, OF MANCHESTER



Mrs. Lloyd's family all  
get more nourishment since  
she discovered that

## ROWNTREE'S COCOA AIDS DIGESTION

"WAR or no war," says Mrs. Lloyd, "my family have got to eat! And their Dad sets the youngsters a good enough example of the way to tuck-in! Of course, the kiddies are only young, but Frankie, at 7, has got a grown-up appetite already!"

"Still, even with Dad taking 8/- a week for fares and so on, I just make both ends meet. Of course, I have a lot to thank Rowntree's Cocoa for. I've discovered that it's nourishing itself, and on top of that, makes all the food they eat with it go further."

THE LLOYDS WORK OUT THEIR WEEK'S HOUSEKEEPING MONEY LIKE THIS

	£	s.	d.
Rent	-	-	10 2
Insurance	-	-	3 0
Coal	-	-	4 6
Gas and Electricity	-	-	3 0
Clothes	-	-	3 0
Food	-	1	6 0
Sundries	-	-	1 4
Husband's Expenses	-	-	8 0
	22	19	0

ROWNTREE'S COCOA IS A FOOD, made by a special "pre-digestive" process, so that it is not only more digestible and nourishing itself—it helps people to digest their other food more quickly and with less effort. This means children get more nourishment out of their meals—put on extra bone and muscle.

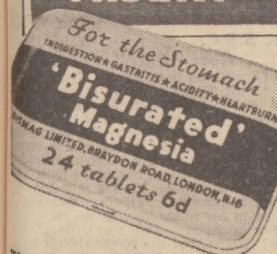
ROWNTREE'S COCOA IS RICH IN COCOA BUTTER. This high fat-content is not present in other well-known beverages—is particularly important at this time, when mothers of families are faced with butter rationing.

ROWNTREE'S COCOA HAS A LOVELY, RICH CHOCOLATE FLAVOUR. Half a teaspoonful makes one cup—so it's more economical than ordinary cocoa and "chocolate" drinks. And because it's "pre-digested" when taken before bed, Rowntree's not only warms you but also helps your supper to "go down better," so that you get deeper, sounder sleep.

## ROWNTREE'S COCOA Aids digestion

Still at pre-war prices—6d. qtr. lb., 11d. half lb.

## STOP AFTER-MEAL MISERY

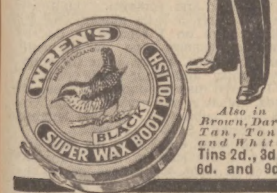


THE QUICKEST WAY is to remove the cause of the trouble—excess stomach acid. Recent medical research and X-ray experiments proved that 'Bisurated' Magnesia contains the quickest-acting and most effective antacid and stomach correctives known to medical science.

ECONOMY SIZES 1/3 & 2/6 (POWDER or TABLETS)

## WREN'S the MAN'S POLISH

Men like Wren's Boot Polish because it can always be relied upon to give an intense black brilliance, which adds to the smart appearance of footwear. And it keeps the leather so supple and waterproof.



Also in Brown, Dark Tan, Tan and White. Tins 2d., 3d., 6d. and 9d.

## Real-life Stories of Fynnon

## In Hospital with RHEUMATIC FEVER

Mrs. Robertson writes this heartening letter from her home at Leytonstone:

"It is with great pleasure that I am writing this testimonial in praise of your wonderful remedy Fynnon Salt. I have suffered from rheumatism for a very long period and was in hospital with Rheumatic Fever. After returning home the trouble began again. I tried many so-called cures and began to get down-hearted as nothing did any good. However, a friend of mine advised me to try your salt and although very pessimistic, I decided to get a tin, and with what results! I can now walk and sleep normally, which I have not been able to do for a considerable time. I might add that before taking half of one tin I began to feel better and from now on I shall never be without a tin and shall recommend it to all I know that suffer as I did."

## FYNNON SALT a spa cure at home



If you too have 'begun to get down-hearted' about your rheumatism it is high time you tried Nature's own remedy—the Sodium, Potassium and Lithium found in the waters of famous spas, and in Fynnon Salt. Fynnon stirred in a glass of water every morning wakes the lazy liver and stimulates the kidneys to rid your body of all acid waste. Stabbing crystals are dissolved and nagging rheumatic pain is smoothed away as the cleansed bloodstream courses through your veins. A 1/3 tin of Fynnon Salt is the first step to a new life of freedom!

FYNNON LTD., BRENTFORD, MIDDLESEX

"Now, more than ever before, I'm thankful for this easy Beauty care."

SAYS LADY DOVERDALE



Lady Doverdale has taken up nursing as her war-work. She says: "Life is so busy that I haven't time for beauty treatment. So now, more than ever, I'm thankful for Pond's Creams—they keep my skin beautifully soft and smooth."

## Analysis of LADY DOVERDALE'S features

- (1) Shape of Face: Heart-shaped, with a broad, smooth brow.
- (2) Eyes: Large, blue-grey, fringed with long, dark, curling lashes; the eyelids smooth and delicate.
- (3) Cheeks: Smooth, rounded, with transparently fair skin.
- (4) Nose: Straight, with very white skin. No large pores or blackheads.
- (5) Mouth: Attractively wide with turned-up corners.
- (6) Chin: Short and well-modelled, with velvety white skin.
- (7) Hair: Bright and silky, worn in loose brown curls on the neck.

and enhance skin-loveliness, making it fine and smooth, keeping it healthy and free from blemishes, preserving its own natural colour.

Use Pond's Creams daily and see how little lines are smoothed away—how quickly blackheads vanish and coarse pores close up! See how the complexion glows with freshness and clear. In just a few weeks your skin will have the lovely radiance that springs from perfect health.

Pond's Cold Cream is for cleansing your skin—use it every night. Pond's Vanishing Cream is for daytime use—it protects the skin, smooths away roughness, makes powder cling for hours. . . . Pond's Creams are sold in tubes (handy for travelling) and jars.













"WELL,  
BOYS, HERE  
I AM"



—Reproduced from "Look."

## CAPTAIN WHO "LOOKED A PIG"

**T**HE CAPTAIN OF THE ALTMARK LOOKED A PERFECT PIG OF A MAN. THE VESSEL WAS NOTHING BUT A STEEL PRISON. CONDITIONS WERE SIMPLY APPALLING.

Capt. P. G. Dove, who was captured by the Graf Spee when she sank the Africa Shell in November and was a prisoner in the battleship during the Plate battle, said that yesterday, when he was told of the safety of the Altmark captives.

"Hooray! That's a fine bit of work," he exclaimed. "But I wonder how the prisoners are. They had an awful time."

"The captain of the Altmark was a short man with a little beard and wore the double Iron Cross. He said he was interned by the British in the last war, and had a very bad time, and he was going to take it out of them in this war."

Captain P. L. Vian, of H.M.S. Cossack, entered Osborne College in May, 1907, in the same term as the Duke of Windsor.

From 1930 to 1933 he was at the Admiralty, and in 1935 he was at the command of the 19th Destroyer Flotilla. In 1937 he was appointed to H.M.S. Arethusa for service as flag captain and chief staff officer to Rear-Admiral Wells, commanding the Third Cruiser Squadron, Mediterranean Fleet.

Commander P. H. Hadow, commanding the Ivanhoe, entered the Royal Navy as a cadet at Osborne in September, 1916. Last December he was mentioned in dispatches. He was gazetted commander in January.

Commander R. C. Gordon (H.M.S. Intrepid) was promoted in June, 1938, while in command of the Hereward in the Second Flotilla, Mediterranean.

## YOU WON'T WANT TO THROW THINGS—ONCE YOU'VE BOUGHT A TIN OF 'Peace-time Sleep'

Nerve-builder that's still  
a reasonable price

On those days when you even flare up at the sparrow on your doorstep—you're a positive menace, and well you know it. A person with healthy nerves wouldn't act that way. What you want is sound, natural sleep. It soothes jangled nerves like the brush of an angel's wing.

Scientifically sound sleep—not a tossing and turning half-insomnia, nor a drugged unconsciousness—is Nature's nerve-builder. Are you sleeping properly? You can. 'Peace-time Sleep' is helped by Bourn-vita—and at the same time Bourn-vita has Phosphorus, Calcium, Vitamin B—all nerve-restoratives.

Are you war-proofed?

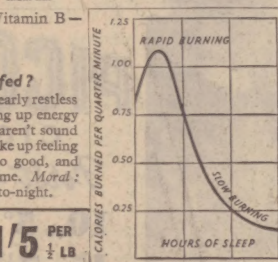
This chart shows how in the early restless hours of sleep you are burning up energy at a high rate. If your nerves aren't sound this persists all night—you wake up feeling a rag—it's done you no good, and it won't do for wartime. Moral: Take Bourn-vita. Start to-night.

9d PER 1/2 LB 1/5 PER 1/2 LB

**CADBURY'S  
BOURN-VITA**  
Still at PEACE-TIME Price



Anger is actually a sign, too, of ILLNESS—nervousness. Sound sleep is the greatest nerve-doctor of them all.



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